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WHERE WE STAND.

BRITAIN'S STRAIGHT QUESTIONS.

FRENCH PROBED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, June 15.
The Anglo-French reparations situation is somewhat easier as a result of diplomatic exchanges.

Replying to a statement of French policy conveyed through the French Ambassador, the British Government sent to Paris through the same channel a long questionnaire inviting the French to specify what exactly they mean by the cessation of passive resistance, and in the event of Germany taking the desired steps what the French propose to do in the direction of administering and evacuating the Ruhr.

The British desire is to gain time and this has apparently had a good effect in Paris where, instead of the recent intransigence, the French press now favours a continuation of the diplomatic exchange of views.

GERMS MADE THIN.

NEW TUBERCULOSIS CURE.

STRIKING RESULTS.

LONDON, June 15.

The Oxford Professor Dreyer, lecturing at St. Mary's Hospital, described the new method of vaccinating for tuberculosis. He said that certain physicians had achieved striking results thereby.

The vaccine is a solution of dead germs which stimulates the blood to destroy the protective fatty coating of dangerous germs. In other words the fat germs are made thin. The new process, which is styled "antigen," is applicable also to anthrax and other infections.

OPEN GOLF TOURNEY.

BRITISH PLAYER WINS THE TITLE.

COURSE RECORD BROKEN.

LONDON, June 15.

At Troon in ideal conditions, the third round series of the open golf championship were played. The sensations were Macdonald Smith breaking the course record with 69; he took the lead with an aggregate of 222, then Kirkwood returned a score of 69 and led with 220 but Havers with another 73 aggregated 219. Havers headed the field till the end of the round, the next best being Whitcombe and Kirkwood with 220, Hagen 221 and Macdonald Smith 222.

BRITISHER WINS.

LATER.

At Troon the British open golf championship was won by A. G. Havers, the Coombe Hill professional, with an aggregate of 295 for four rounds. Of the Americans Walter Hagen (holder) went round in 296, Macdonald Smith 297 and the Australian Kirkwood 298.

[In 1921 and 1922, the championship was won by Americans, home players, on the whole, showing up badly by comparison. This year's winner, Havers, has been described as one of the most promising of the younger British professionals.]

EXCITING STRUGGLE.

LATER.

The struggle was most exciting. A crowd of 15,000 followed Hagen who wanted 73 to win. He turned with 38 and made a great effort homewards but threw his chance away by poor approach play at the last hole. Havers' performance was most meritorious as he was not blessed with luck. He frequently found the rough, over-ran the green or had a difficult lie but he recovered splendidly. Fernie, of Turnberry, was fifth with 300; Duncan and Whitcombe each 302; Mitchell, bracketed with four others, had 303; Ray 304; the American Farrell 306; Tolley 312; Taylor 316; Braid 316; and the American Aubach 329. It is estimated that 40,000 spectators were present.

SONS OF ERIN.

SENSIBLE SOCIETY.

NEW YORK, June 15.

Prominent Irish American Free State men and Republicans both Protestant and Catholic, have organised a society called the "American Fraternity of the Sons of Erin." A meeting of members pledged themselves to wipe out factionalism.

BELGIAN POLITICS.

CABINET CHANGE.

BRUSSELS, June 15.

It is understood that M. Theunis has accepted the invitation to form the new Cabinet.
[M. Theunis was Premier in the last Cabinet which resigned several days ago following a Parliamentary crisis owing to the bi-lingual dispute coming to a head.]

OUTCAST RUSSIA.

JAPAN'S CHANGED ATTITUDE.

NEGOTIATIONS EXPECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, June 15.

The Manchester Guardian's Moscow correspondent reports that M. Chicherin, Soviet Foreign Commissioner, has said Japan is now on the eve of formal negotiations with Russia. The question of Japanese fishing in Russian waters has been regulated very satisfactorily. Informal conversations with M. Joffe, the Soviet envoy in Tokyo, have led to the belief that negotiations are not at present facing insurmountable difficulties. A large strata of Japanese society has very eloquently expressed the desire for better relations with Russia and M. Joffe has been the constant object of sympathetic demonstrations.

SHOT DEAD.

CROWD ATTACKS DEPOSED PREMIER.

MOTOR-CAR FIGHT.

SOFIA, June 15.

M. Stambulsky, the deposed Premier, has been killed while attempting to escape.

LATER.

A semi-official message states that M. Stambulsky was captured at seven o'clock yesterday morning by a party of troops.

The former Premier informed the commander that he wished to surrender. He was taken in a motor car to Tatar Pazarjik where a crowd hooted and wanted to lynch him. Consequently he was taken to Slavovitsa. A party of armed peasants attacked the car and a fusillade occurred in which M. Stambulsky was killed.

The Government deeply regrets the occurrence and has ordered a searching inquiry.

[Tatar Pazarjik is a town on the Upper Maritza with a population of 17,000. Slavovitsa is a town not far distant.]

COUNTY CRICKET.

MIDDLESEX'S UNIQUE FEAT.

MANY CENTURIES MADE.

LONDON, June 15.

At Southampton, Middlesex led Hampshire on the first innings. The Middlesex first innings amounted to 642 for 3 wickets, the first four batsmen all making centuries, H. L. Dales 103, Leo (H. W.) 107, Hearn (J. W.) 232 and Hendren (E.) 177 not out. The latter pair scored 375 for the third wicket beating J. and W. Gunn's record of 357 for Notts against Leicestershire in 1903.

(The most individual hundreds in an innings of a first-class match is five, this record being put up by a New South Wales team against South Australia at Sydney in 1900-1. Four individual centuries in an innings have been made hitherto on nine occasions, the last being by the same county, Middlesex, v. Sussex at Lord's in 1920, when the first four players all got into three figures as they did in this match. The successful batsmen on that occasion were P. F. Warner 139, N. Haig 131, Lee (H. W.) 119 and Hearn (J. W.) 116 not out. The two last named have therefore figured in this particular class of record twice. The aggregate of 642 for the innings will also be included in the records.)

Derby led Somerset at Bath on the first innings. For Somerset M. D. Lyon scored 134 in the first and for Derby, Bowden (J.) made 114 and W. W. Hill-Wood 107, both in the first innings.

At Worcester, Lancashire led Worcestershire on the first innings. Makepeace (Lanc.) made 203 in the first innings.

Notts, at Nottingham beat Essex by an innings and 110 runs. Walker (Notts) scored 101 not out. Keft lost to Leicestershire at Leicester by 82 runs. For the winners Lord scored 98 in the first innings and in Kent's first innings Benskin obtained 7 wickets for 29.

GLIDER'S FINE FEAT.

ALOFT EIGHTY MINUTES.

LONDON, June 15.

The Air Ministry has exhaustively tested the newly-purchased glider "Wren" fitted with a 3-horse power cycle engine.

The machine was aloft eighty minutes and it attained a speed of 53 miles an hour at an altitude of 2,350 feet. The petrol consumption was 7/8 of a gallon.

SEDITIONOUS CONSPIRACY.

IRISHMEN DENY CHARGES.

LONDON, June 15.

Mr. Art O'Brien and seven other Irish deportees were at Bow Street today committed for trial on a charge of seditious conspiracy.

They pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence. Bail was refused.

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In addition there is one wooden pier 100 feet long, one water reservoir with connections to all parts of the property, one Duxco Electric Light Plant with connections and fittings for lighting the whole property, telephone connected to the Kowloon exchange and buildings covering a total of about 20,855 square feet including one European-style house, 6 Chinese style houses, offices, lock-up store house, sheds etc., etc., almost all of which are practically new.

The whole of the land, buildings, electric plant etc., etc., described above are to be sold in one lot.

Particulars of the Crown Lease under which the land is held may be seen at the Office of the District Land Officer South.

An outline plan of the property may be seen at Messrs. Lammert Bros. Office to whom application for further information should be made.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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Hongkong, June 13, 1923.

ON **THURSDAY, July 12, 1923,**
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One (1) Main Switchboard consisting of machine, panels and feeder panels
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Three (3) Brown & Froude type water coolers
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ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Clip This Out.

These lines by Robert Loveman are worth copying and keeping: "What care I for cast or creed? It is the deed, it is the deed! What for class, or what for clan? It is the man, it is the man! It is of love and joy and woe, For who is high and who is low, Mountain, valley, sky and sea Are for all humanity."

"What care I for robe or stole? It is the soul, it is the soul! What for the crown or what for chest? It is the soul within the breast, It is the faith, it is the hope, It is the struggle up the slope, It is the brain and the eye to see, One God and one humanity."

Kitchener and Osman Digna.

Osman Digna, the news of whose existence into these days has come as a great surprise to survivors of the Omdurman army, once came very near to killing Lord Kitchener.

It was in 1888, when Osman Digna was at his worst and raiding Suakin. Kitchener was endeavouring to catch him and liberate a large body of slaves, and in an encounter with Osman's men he received a wound which was nearly fatal. At that time Osman Digna was supposed to be 45 years old, and if that was correct his present age would be about eighty years.

A letter from Queen Victoria to Lord Kitchener dated February 2, 1900, is worth recalling here.

Kitchener was then in South Africa. Its text was: "The Queen-Empress must send a line to tell Lord Kitchener of the capture of his old enemy, Osman Digna. This puts the finish to Lord Kitchener's brilliant and successful campaign in the Sudan. Pray write when you can and in the first person, as it is so much easier."

The sudden change of Queen Victoria's letter from the dictation of the Queen-Empress in the third person to "Pray write when you can" is delightfully characteristic.

Novel Dictated By Spirits.

A novel said to have been dictated to a medium by spirits of notables who lived in the courts of the ancient Pharaohs is the subject of an action now in progress in the Paris law courts, says the *Daily Telegraph*, in which Maurice Dewaleffe, a novelist, sues Mlle. Stefanescu, a Roumanian medium, for 1,000,000 francs for libel.

In 1916 Mlle. Stefanescu, whose father is a wealthy banker, announced that she was receiving messages from the spirits of courtiers of the Pharaoh Amenophis IV. At her seances, which were attended by the elite of the society of Bucharest including the Prime Minister, all the spirit communications were taken down by a stenographer, and were found to form a connected narrative of the life and adventures of a Greek slave who lived at Thebes 3,000 years ago.

Among other features of this strange spirit "history" was a story of great vaults of buried treasure. When published in book form Mlle. Stefanescu's revelations created a great sensation in Roumania, and for some time ranked among the "best sellers."

Recently, "Queen Tia," a romance of ancient Egypt, by Maurice Dewaleffe, appeared in the Roumanian bookshops, whereupon Mlle. Stefanescu and a body of her admirers at once denounced this book as a plagiarism of the collection of spirit messages. A protest to this effect was published in a Paris magazine, but Mlle. Stefanescu countered it with the statement that her "Queen Tia" was only a new edition of a novel he published under another title in 1906.

He alleges that Mlle. Stefanescu got her spirit messages by learning one chapter of his book at a time by heart and relying simply on memory at her seances. It is for the courts now to choose between this theory and the claims of ardent spiritualists, who believe that Mlle. Stefanescu was the authentic mouthpiece of the courtiers of ancient Egypt.

CHURCH NOTES.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

"O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord." Holiness and Humility go hand in hand and since Satan fell from Heaven by Pride, so it is only by humility that we can turn again into the right path, with our faces set towards Jerusalem.

We must remember as we listen to the Epistle to-morrow that this lesson of Humility is being preached by Peter, Peter the impulsive, the arrogant, the self-assured, the ambitious, he who told His Master he would never forsake Him and then denied Him three times! How did he himself learn this Humility he now preaches?—through suffering.

No one can ever know what agony of remorse filled his heart when Jesus turned and looked on him in silence, but legend tells us that Peter for ever afterwards when he heard the cock crow, burst into tears. So with this suffering behind him he writes to his converts "God resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble."

Chesterton has said "One can hardly think too little of one's self—one can hardly think too much of one's soul." Christianity is like that, it intensifies every thing, each virtue, each vice; love can only find expression in the service of the Cross, hatred for our own sins of the world grows stronger as we advance in holiness, a Christian who breaks the law of chastity, sins more terribly than one who has not surrendered to the yolk of Christ; we cannot realize too intensely our nothingness apart from God's supernatural grace, we cannot think too highly of our divine calling—joint heirs with Christ.

Perhaps the best definition of humility is this "the recognition of the truth about ourselves." Nor can we hope to gain humility until we have learnt not to compare ourselves with our neighbours but to "compare ourselves with Jesus Christ, the true Neighbour of us all."

A lost coin is worthless till it is recovered, but though lost among the dust, its future worth is yet stamped upon it, and as the Son of Man searches for it or for the lost sheep, he must continue looking till it is found since it belongs to Him and is stamped with His sign, the Cross of Baptism. There were three groups of people to whom Jesus addressed these two parables—the sinful, those looked upon by others as sinful (Publicans) and those who thought themselves better than sinners and to them is shown God's horror of sin and His love of the sinner. So many sheep in the fold, one might think that if just one had strayed away it would hardly be missed, but anxious and so preoccupied that the others for the time being are forgotten, the Shepherd goes in search of His lost one, the resting till again He holds it in the safety of His arms. Then Jesus pictures His joy of the Angels and calls us to rejoice too in the victory over sin, accomplished by Him in each individual Christian.

O Shepherd with the bleeding Feet, Good Shepherd with the pleading Voice

What seekest Thou from hill to hill? Sweet were the valley pastures, The sound of flocks that bleat their joys, And eat and drink at will.

Is not worth seeking when Thou hast of Thine, Ninety and nine?

How should I stay My bleeding Feet, How should I hush My pleading Voice—

I who chose death and clomb a hill, Accounting gall and wormwood sweet That hundredfold might bud My joys

For love's sake and good-will? I seek My one, for all these bids of Ninety and nine.

Sometimes Parish Magazines are very dull, but not always. There is a delightful letter in St. Peter's Coventry Magazine, written by an

CHURCH NOTICES.

A CHURCH OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Hongkong, 17th June 1923, 3rd Sunday after Trinity.

Holy Communion (9 a.m.)
Children's Service (10 a.m.)
Hymns: 270, 640, 353.
Matins (11 a.m.)
Responses: Ferial; Venite: Tuckey; (18th day); Psalm: 19 (Munk); Te Deum: Lawes, Cooke, Hopkins; Benedictus: Nunn (Noble); Hymns: 281, 172.

Holy Communion (12 noon.)
Evangelist (6 p.m.)
Responses: Ferial; Psalm: 29 (Aldrich); 21 (Woodward); Magnificat: No. 16; Hymns: Nunn; Dimittis: Barnby; Hymns: 287, 605, 31.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road East.
Opposite Royal Naval Hospital, Wanchai.

Sunday, 17th June 1923.
10.15 a.m. Divine Service and Naval and Garrison Church Parade. Hymns, and Chant, 268, Venite 271, 43, 187. Subject: "The Golden Rule of the Paganism." 6 p.m. Divine Service. Hymns: 212, 71, 402, 119, 447. Subject: "The Golden Rule of the Paganism." 8 p.m. Divine Service. Hymns: 212, 71, 402, 119, 447. Subject: "The Golden Rule of the Paganism."

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road East.
Address by the Chaplain: Solist, Miss Green.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.
Sunday Services, 17th June.
Morning Service, at 11 a.m.
Hymns: 354, 204, 456.
Psalm: 100 Anthem.
Evening Service, at 6 p.m.
Hymns: 120, 324, 602, 682.
Sole: "How Lovely are Thy Dwellings." (Lidell); Mrs. S. Collett, Preacher at both Services; Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Friday, at 8.30, Christian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.
17th June, 1923, 3rd Sunday after Trinity.
9 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Matins and Sermons.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, MacDonnell Road, Below Bowen Road Tram Station.
Sunday, 11.15 a.m.
Wednesday, 8.45 p.m.

Irish cook to her mistress during the recent disturbances in Ireland which is as follows:—

"My Lady:—We've had stirring times here since you left. The National Army came and took possession of the house. The Irish Army attacked them. The battle lasted till 5 o'clock; the Irish were defeated. Afterwards I showed both Armies round the garden, they especially admired your Ladyship's antirrhinums. I regret to say they went down to the village and got drunk and two of the Irishmen came back and got drowned in the lake. The funeral is on Tuesday and as I am sure it would be your Ladyship's wish I am sending a wreath of Antirrhinums."

The Anglo-Catholic Congresses now being held all over England, are causing great enthusiasm, a certain amount of protest and a great deal of controversy, all of which is good, for the deadly enemy of Religion is indifference.

A Wesleyan writing to a local newspaper during the Congress at Bradford says "Is this movement a kind of Salvation Army, or a species of Methodist revival or an attempt to leap back to some external conditions of religion prior to the Reformation?" He answers his own question when he describes the hymns sung as "a combination of mediaevalism and Sankey and Moody." He adds "There is a note of passion which is sometimes lacking in religious teachers. The speakers, as I heard them, kept very near to the Cross of Christ."

One of the speakers at this same Congress prefaced his address by saying "If this movement against it, you will be fighting against God. And if he be not God, you will have no need to worry about it, because it will collapse like a house of cards with suddenness and completeness."

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Warrants will be payable at THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Shanghai.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, June 15, 1923.

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SHAREHOLDERS IN THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LTD. entitled to an allotment of shares in THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD. are requested to forward their claims to the undersigned as soon as possible.

L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, June 15, 1923.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above Company, pursuant to Section 66 (3) of the Companies Ordinance 1911, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, POWER'S BUILDING, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of JUNE, 1923, at 12 Noon.

THE NOTICE DATED THE 12th JUNE, 1923, IS HEREBY CANCELLED.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, June 14, 1923.

NOTICE.

DURING the temporary absence from the Colony of our Managing Director Mr. Wei Wing Sam, Mr. Sydney Ng Quinn is hereby appointed to act in his stead, and in the event of Mr. Quinn's absence from office at any time, Messrs. Tsan Pak Woon and Joseph Charles Tam are authorized to sign jointly per procuration for the firm until further notice.

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TRADE UNIONS.

1,500,000 FEWER MEMBERS.

The trade union movement in Great Britain is passing through a period of anxiety.

According to Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P., trade union membership during the last 2½ years has fallen from about 6,500,000 to little more than 5,000,000; while accumulated funds, which stood at £16,000,000, have been exhausted by the heavy drain of unemployment benefits, and the annual income from members has been greatly reduced.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress is beginning a "Back to the Unions" campaign. There is also much talk about "One Big Union," and the amalgamation of craft unions in various trades has begun. According to the Labour Monthly, a campaign is on foot for a conference of all working-class organisations in the country to work out a national minimum of agreed

demands and methods by which these demands can be secured. All these are signs of the new spirit at work in the rank and file.

THE NEW SPIRIT.

The action of the Boilermakers' Society is symptomatic of new forces at work inside the trade union movement. The Boilermakers' Society refused to honour an agreement concluded by the Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Trades on behalf of the 34 affiliated unions, including the boiler-makers, and in consequence of this action the federation will probably be reconstituted.

The railway unions have refused to accept further reductions in wages on the ground that the prosperous conditions of the railway companies does not justify such reductions. As a consequence of this decision, and following discussions between groups of unions affiliated to the Trades Union Congress all trade unions are to be officially requested to accept no further wage reduction in any guise whatever, except where there are agreements providing for such a contingency, and also in future to counter employers' proposals by applying for wage advances.

A Quaint Ceremony.

The ancient ceremony of "beating the bounds" of the parish of St. Clement Dances, Strand, W.C., has been performed by the choir boys, in order strictly to follow the boundary line, the procession had to pass through the Hotel Cecil and the Lyceum Theatre—part of the stage of which was in the parish. The boys rowed half-way across the Thames, beating the water as they went. The Box Supper of the churchwardens of St. Clement Dances, originated in 1573, will be held this month, when silver snuff-boxes, which belonged to long dead wardens, will be passed round, and "churchwarden" pipes smoked.

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Beef Sirloin, — Mel Lung Pa .. lb.	30	24	19	Chickens, — Kai .. lb.	65	30	31
" Prime Cut .. lb.	30	24	19	Capons, Small, — Sin Kai .. lb.	50	28	30
" Corned, — Ham Ngai Yek .. lb.	30	24	19	Capons, Large, — Sin Kai .. lb.	50	28	30
" Roast, — Shiu .. lb.	30	24	19	Duck, — Ap .. lb.	48	22	22
" Breast, — Ngan Nam .. lb.	28	20	18	Doves, — Fan Kan .. each	20	18	18
" Soup, — Tong Yek .. lb.	30	24	19	Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan (soaking) per doz	24	18	18
" Steak, — Ngan Yek Pa .. lb.	30	24	19	Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan (fresh) per doz	30	25	30
" Steak Sirloin, — Ngan Lau .. lb.	40	30	26	Fowls, Canton, — Kai .. lb.	75	38	34
" Sausages, — Ngan Cheung .. lb.	20	18	18	Fowls, Canton, — Hol Nam Kai .. lb.	55	28	28
Bullock's Brisket, — Ngan No per lb.	12	10	18	Geese, — Ngo .. lb.	48	24	24
Tongue, fresh, — Ngan Li each 60	60	60	60	Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kap, each	55	30	30
Tongue, corned, — Ham Ngan Li each ..	60	60	60	Helibow, — Hol Hau Pak Kap	25	23	23
Head, — Ngan Tan .. lb.	100	100	100	Turkeys, Cook, — Fo Kai Kung lb.	60	60	60
Heart, — Ngan Sam .. lb.	18	12	14	Turkeys, Hen, — Fo Kai Na .. lb.	55	55	45
Ham, Salt, — Ngan Kin .. lb.	28	20	18	Salp., — Sha Tan .. lb.	22	22	22
Feet, — Ngan Kook .. each	12	10	12	Pheasant, — Shan Kai .. lb.	22	22	22
Kidneys, — Ngan Yik .. lb.	12	10	12	Quail, — Om Chan .. lb.	2	2	2
" — Ngan Hoi .. lb.	12	10	12	Partridges, — Che Ku .. lb.	2	2	2
Liver, — Ngan Koon .. lb.	18	14	14				
Tripe (unwashed), Ngan To lb.	6	6	7				
Calves' Head and Feet, — Ngan-kai ..	1.00	1.00	1.00				
Head .. each ..	1.00	1.00	1.00				
Mutton Chop, — Young Fat Kwai .. lb.	40	38	28				
Leg, — Young Fat .. lb.	40	38	28				
Shoulder, — Young Fat .. lb.	40	38	28				
Shad, — Young Fat .. lb.	40	38	28				
Pig's Chitlings, — Chu Cheung .. lb.	36	27	27				
Brisket, — Chu No .. per lb.	32	22	12				
Feet, — Chu Kook .. lb.	16	16	18				
Fry, — Chu Chap .. lb.	40	16	18				
Head, — Chu Tan .. lb.	18	20	10				
Heart, — Chu Sam .. lb.	12	10	10				
Kidneys, — Chu Yik .. lb.	12	10	8				
Liver, — Chu Koon .. lb.	35	30	24				
Fork Chop, — Chu Fat Kwai .. lb.	30	28	23				
Leg, — Chu Fat .. lb.	30	28	27				
Loin, — Chu Han Tan .. lb.	28	22	21				
Pig or Lamb, — Chu Yik .. lb.	22	21	21				
Sheep's Head and Feet, — Young Fat ..	75	60	70				
Head .. each ..	75	60	70				
Heart, — Young Fat .. lb.	10	12	7				
Kidneys, — Young Yik .. lb.	15	12	10				
Liver, — Young Fat .. lb.	40	35	25				
Smoking Pig, to order, — Chu Tan ..	25	25	23				
Suet, Beef, — Shang Ngai Yau .. lb.	28	20	18				
Mutton, — Shang Ngai Yau .. lb.	40	38	24				
Veal, — Ngan Tai Yik .. lb.	24	20	18				
Sausages, — Ngan Tai Cheung .. lb.	28	20	20				
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Fish.				Vegetables, &c.			
Barbel, — Ka Yu .. lb.	28	19	24	Artichokes, — Ah Ohl Cheuk .. each	8	8	8
Bream, — Piu Yu .. lb.	32	20	18	Beans, Sprout, — Nga Tso .. lb.	4	4	7
Canton Fresh Water Fish .. lb.	30	18	18	" Long, — Tan Kok .. lb.	10	8	8
Carp, — Li Yu .. lb.	34	16	27	Beet Root, — Hung Tai Tau .. each	8	8	6
Codfish, — Ohik Yu .. lb.	38	12	9	Bitter Squash, — Fu Kwa .. lb.	6	6	7
Codfish, — Min Yu .. lb.	34	20	25	Brussels, Green, — Chung Yan Kwa .. lb.	5	5	9
Crabs, — Hail .. lb.	50	22	28	" Red, — Hui Kwa .. lb.	6	5	8
Cuttle Fish, — Mok Yu .. lb.	24	18	2	Cabbage Chinese, (common) .. lb.	6	5	8
Dab, — Sha Mang Yu .. lb.	48	22	15	" (Shanghai) — Ye Tso .. lb.	10	12	12
Dace, — Wong Mai Lap .. lb.	18	10	9	Cassia Shoots, bunch, — Kan Shan ..	1	1	9
Dog Fish, — Thi To Sha .. lb.	10	19	6	Cauliflower (Large), — Ye Tso Fa each ..	1	1	1
Eels, — Gonger, — Hol Ma .. lb.	34	16	16	" (Medium) ..	1	1	1
" Fresh water, — Tam Shai Yu ..	32	20	18	" (Small) ..	1	1	1
" Yellow, — Wong Sig .. lb.	48	28	30	Carrots, — Kam Shan .. lb.	8	6	6
Frog, — Ho Kwa .. lb.	48	28	25	Celery Chinese, — Tong Kan Tsoi .. lb.	10	10	6
Gardens, — Pak Kip Yu .. lb.	50	40	30	Chilies, Dried, — Kon Lat Ohlo .. lb.	20	25	5
Gardens, — Pak Kip Yu .. lb.	50	40	30	" Red, — Hung Fa Chin .. lb.	12	10	6
Herring, — Tso Pak .. lb.	28	22	15	" Green, — Ching Lat Chin .. lb.	10	8	12
Halibut, — Cheung Kwai Kap .. lb.	16	18	23	Curry Root, English, — Ke Li Cheu Lau ..	10	10	10
Lobster, — Wong Fa Yu .. lb.	28	22	18	Cumbers, — Ching Kwa .. lb.	10	10	10
Loose, — Wo Yu .. lb.	55	25	24	Garlic, — Sun Tau .. lb.	5	8	8
Lobsters, — Long Yu .. lb.	50	22	21	Ginger, young, — Sun Tai Keng .. lb.	8	7	8
Mackerel, — Chi Yu .. lb.	24	20	28	Ginger, old, — Lo Hsing .. lb.	8	10	10
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu .. lb.	24	18	2	Horseradish, Shanghai, — Li Kau .. lb.	20	45	45
Mullet, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	16	25	Lettuce, — Shok Mai .. lb.	7	6	4
Oysters, — Shang Ho .. lb.	20	14	5	Lettuce, — Young Shang Tai .. lb.	6	1	1
Parrot Fish, — Kai Kung Yu .. lb.	24	20	15	Water Chestnuts, — Ma Tai .. lb.	10	6	8
Pike, — Tai Lo .. lb.	18	10	9	" Mandarin, — Kwai .. lb.	10	8	8
Pike, — Pa Pau Fong .. lb.	40	28	14	" Lam Yu Tai .. lb.	10	8	8
Plaice, — Pau Yu .. lb.	48	28	25	Mushrooms, Fresh, — Shang Tso Ku lb.	55	55	55
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Cheung .. lb.	48	38	30	Okras, .. lb.	12	1	10
Pomfret, White, Pak Cheung .. lb.	48	38	30	Okra, Bombay, — Young Chung Tai lb.	8	8	8
Prawns, — Ming Yu .. lb.	50	38	45	Onions, Green, — Shang Chung .. lb.	6	4	8
Rap, — Tai Pa Sha .. lb.	10	18	14	Onions, Shanghai, — Shang Kai .. lb.	8	8	8
Rock Fish, — Shok Kan Kung .. lb.	10	18	14	Parrots, — Kun Tai .. lb.	30	30	30
Roach, — Chun Yu .. lb.	34	22	16	Potato, Sweet, — Fan Shu .. lb.	4	3	3
Salmon, — Ma Yu .. lb.	45	28	30	" Japanese, — Tai Fan Shu Tai lb.	3	3	3
Shark, — Sha Yu .. lb.	10	8	10	" American, — Ye Ki Shu Tai lb.	8	8	10
Shake, — Po Yu .. lb.	18	10	10	Prunella, — Tung Yu .. lb.	4	2	4
Shrimps, — Hi .. lb.	38	28	25	Radiata, — Hui Kwa .. lb.	4	5	5
Squid, — Lap Yu .. lb.	50	38	30	Rabbit (Fresh), — Tai Wong .. lb.	5	5	10
Sole, — Tai Sha Yu .. lb.	40	28	28	Shallots, — Kung Chung Tai .. lb.	6	8	8
Tongue, — Wan Yu .. lb.	24	20	18	Spinach, — Tin Tai .. lb.	5	4	8
Turbot, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	Tomatoes, — Fan Yu .. lb.	7	7	9
Trout, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	Taro, — Wu Yu .. lb.	5	4	8
Trout, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	Taro, Pung, (Green), — Lo Pak .. lb.	8	4	8
Trout, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	Vegetable Marrow, — Tai Kwa .. lb.	4	4	8
Trout, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	Wheat Grass, — Tai Yu .. lb.	5	5	5
Trout, — Tai Yu .. lb.	30	18	18	" Little, — Tai Yu .. lb.	5	5	5
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 1923.

CRIME.

The notable increase in crime (violent crime) during 1922 is attributed by the Police Authorities to "the change of Government in Canton twice during the year and the consequent fighting," the outbreak following closely on each series of fighting. This may or may not be an injustice to another "distasteful country," but the reason sounds credible. But that excuse cannot very well be used in the case of increase noted in other forms of law-breaking, unless again Canton is to be made the scapegoat for all the delinquencies of our criminals. There were numerous highway and armed robberies, many of them being traced to ex-soldiers, or unemployed seamen (who surely do not necessarily come from Canton?) "The large increase in armed robberies and murders testifies to the seriousness of these waves of violent crime." Mention is made of the successful use of "restrictive measures," but what these are is not indicated unless it be the closing of certain Guilds, and the creation of a Criminal Investigation Department. We have here this comment on the extraordinarily difficult task our police authorities have in coping with the tremendous problems involved in the strict observance of law and order, and we hesitate much in offering a note of criticism that might be considered fatuous. The reading of the annual police report inclines us to the belief that the calibre of the native section of the

Y.M.C.A., or Young Men's Club, (a Junior Club would probably be the correct title) is still in the air and it will probably remain there. The money is invested somewhere and doubtless is earning good interest. We do not know, not having seen a statement regarding the present position of the matter. Then there was the socialistic suggestion of an Unsocialistic Government official who was going to help solve the Housing problem, by erecting a Communal Hotel in Kowloon. There was to be a Communal Dining Room, a Communal room to sing in, and another to foot it on the light fantastic. A Communal kitchen, where the Communal blower could be roasted in front of the Communal fire-place—something like a dog house in a slum at home. All it needed was the Communal temperance, which is very difficult to acquire in a place like Hongkong or Kowloon. It was beautifully idealistic. William Morris, were he alive, would have revelled in the idea. He probably would have designed beautiful Communal tapestries and Della Robbia tiles, frescoes, and vases, so that the Communal soul would not be soiled in the process of living in this Apostolic State. We eagerly awaited the fruition of that truly Port Sunlight scheme—but it is not to be. Kowloon has its new hotel, but it is for sale. Here then is an excellent opportunity to acquire a place to be run on Communal lines where the Communal blower can be cooked and eaten in truly Communal fashion, where the homeless ones, even those who have earned the Government's disapprobation by "making" or letting furnished flats, can rest and be at peace. We have no interest at all in the sale of this particular Hotel so are doing the right Communalistic thing in mentioning the matter.

A Stadium?

Our Fistic correspondent pleaded earnestly yesterday for the provision of a Stadium where boxing contests could be witnessed in comfort, and, presumably where training could be done by would-be contestants in proper fashion. We have here a suggested place where sports contests which attract large crowds could be held, and where there would be space enough to allow spectators to see what is going on in comfort. Happy Valley in the football season is an interesting sight. It is safe to say that thousands are content to stand and put up with discomfort, watching the play that is going on. Very often displays of partisanship take place which is all against good sportsmanship and which must bring the name of clean sport into disrepute. There is also the question of the different Interport games which are now becoming such a feature of sporting life in the East. There are also our boxing contests. The need for a fairly large sports meeting place cannot be ignored. Hongkong should have such a place. It should be large enough to enable the more important local and Interport Cricket matches to be held; to allow of Bowls Interport matches; tennis tournaments, and of course Football matches. There should be provision for the Stadium that is so much desired, and there might also be room for rifle ranges, etc. The idea may seem utopian, but it is not outside the realms of practical politics. It only needs the various sports bodies getting together to devise some scheme which would be of a practical nature and which have a wide appeal. The cost of upkeep seems to be a not very insuperable difficulty. The charges for admission—which should not be excessive, would be a help, whilst the sale of refreshments should bring in a fair sum. Municipal bowls and tennis might also be tried, as many, who like these games, do not belong to Clubs. We invite opinions from those who favour a Hongkong Wembley as we have indicated. If anything is going to be done, it must be done speedily. The Government is now giving land away, which means that soon there will be none left for the purposes outlined above.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Government is inviting tenders for the ferry service between Hongkong and Cheung Chau.

Harold Lloyd appears at the Grand Wanchai, from to-day, in a five-reel comedy, "Grandma's Boy."

About 88,000 sq. ft. of Crown land facing the new road from Gan Road to Wanchai Gap will shortly be put up for sale at an upset price of \$14,700.

The China Mail has received The Studio for May, "The Triumph of Unarmed Forces 1914-8" by Rear-Admiral M. W. W. P. Cornhill, and vol. 2 of the "Official History of the War of 1914-18" by H. S. Gullitt. These have been passed for review and extra notices will appear in due course.

CREEPY INSECTS.

CIVILISED MAN'S HORROR EXPLAINED.

CURIOUS PRIMITIVE ORIGINS. (Specially Contributed.)

The effect of the rest of the animal kingdom on the mind of man, and the associations and mental antipathies which certain animals inspire is an interesting problem in psychology. Certain mental attitudes and emotions seem most naturally expressed by a metaphor drawn from the animal kingdom—cat-like, dove-like, innish. These expressions, indeed, seem so natural that they require no explanation; the obvious attribute of the animal in question is transferred without hesitation to the human displaying similar qualities. True, different races may not be, indeed often are not, equally familiar with the same species of animal, and hence the epithet so familiar and expressive to one may be lost on, or meaningless to, another.

But much of our animal psychology has deeper and less obvious roots. Everybody must have noticed how the very mention of the word "spider" sends a kind of shudder through certain persons—not always females either. Now, there is nothing in the anatomical structure of the spider to make it more objectionable than (say) a bee. Rather the reverse. Its means of hostile approach approximate more to a one-dimensional sphere than a three. Yet civilised man has a horror of spiders far in excess of anything he suffers from bees. This is probably an "organic reflex" handed down to us from our primitive and prehuman ancestry when the noxious and "creepy" members of this order formed a more serious foe to the quadrupeds than they do to-day. One very curious thing about this spider cult is the superimposed respect almost amounting to apothecosis which this animal has received from "advanced yonians." One modern novelist describes a modern woman-movement society as "Arachnoid" (Greek, Arachne—a spider), and I believe there have actually been societies of this name. The meaning of the name is obvious. The spiders as a group are marked more than most by one characteristic—the females are larger and more pugnacious than the males. An arachnoid society is one whose object is to propagate this characteristic in the human species. So perhaps the creepy repugnance of our females to the spider will in time disappear!

Savage Beliefs.

Much of our attitude to the animal kingdom is bound up with a curious primitive custom called totemism—a savage belief associating the human being in living relationship to certain animals. This relationship may be either one of avoidance or attachment. It lies at the foundation of the disrespect in which the pig was held by the Semitic peoples; it probably lies at the root of the worship of the cat by our modern Cleopatras. The cat is selfish, stealthy, and unendurable except where its stomach is concerned. It is nocturnal—in fact the only nocturnal animal ever domesticated (and hence not half domesticated). Indeed it is essentially an unattractive animal. For reasons into which we cannot enter here it was early worshipped in the Nile Valley. Hence the modern respect for, and hence possibly the appearance of, and respect for, certain feline characteristics among humans.

But there are certain psychological associations of the human and the animal which do not seem to be accounted for either by obvious similarity or by the hereditary repugnances in our blood or the totemic practices of our ancestors. Some of these are peculiar and unexplained psychological phenomena well worthy of careful study.

"Shady Horse."

Perhaps the most remarkable of these is the association of the horse with all that is disreputable, and "shady." The horse is naturally a respectable and very intelligent animal, yet for some inexplicable reason it has got into bad company and has unenviable associations. I do not refer to the "pale horse" or the "grey horse" of the apocalyptic. It has worse relationships. A "horsey" person is another name for a "sharper." This may be due to the betting and gambling which take place at races. But if so, this only throws the explanation a stage further back. Why should the profusion of this particular form of race-horse have linked itself up with the horse rather than the cat or the elephant? Every "noble" that deals with the animal from Nat Gould to David Harum has the same favour. Every man who judges horses has the same reputation. "Horsemanship" and honesty seem to be mutually exclusive terms.

Priceless Finger Prints.

Another group of animals quite innocent in their way have also got an unenviable reputation—the fish.

DRAGON BOATS.

MONDAY'S INTERESTING FESTIVAL.

Monday next, on the fifth day of the fifth moon according to the Chinese lunar calendar, sees the Dragon Boat Festival. In Hongkong the festivities are mainly confined to the Dragon Boat races. When the late Sir Henry May was Governor he seldom missed going to the races at Aberdeen. During the last few years races have been staged at North Point, where large crowds have been attracted. The purpose of the festival is practically obsolete at Canton. Dragon-boat races have been forbidden for some time owing to the fights usually associated with them. The Dragon oarsman's sense of sport is peculiar in that one does not hesitate to strike or even open fire at a rival crew that appeared likely to win.

The origin of the festival is obscure but in South China the 5th day of the 5th moon is one of the four setting days in the year. At home, the women will participate in various rituals but the men's main concern is to arrange an appropriate feast. An "old" custom, attached to the festival is the practice of making packets of prepared rice, this being traced to some event in Chinese mythology.

From now onwards till Monday, some of the strange craft may be seen on the harbour, making their way to various rendezvous to race one another. One that was launched at Causeway Bay yesterday is typical of those in Hongkong. The dragon-boat is always a long affair just wide enough for two men to sit in abreast. Each oarsman will carry one paddle and in the Hongkong boats there will be about 25 pairs in each boat. (At Canton the boats were generally longer, having room for about 50 pairs of paddlers.) Each boat includes in its complement, a drummer and a man to beat a gong, these taking the place of the cox who sets the pace. Banners won in previous years will also be put in a boat to urge the men on to greater feats and on the whole, the sight is well worth seeing.

Why is it that fish should always be associated with that peculiar form of lying called the "tall" story. This, of course, is a comparatively harmless form of exaggeration, the worst implication of which seems to be how little the scientific spirit has entered into the mind of man. But why should the association of "fish" be brought out in this characteristic. If the Jonah story in the Old Testament is in any way responsible for the association of "tallness" and "fishiness" the coincidence is one of the most irrational things in history. In the first place, the swallowing part is rejected almost universally by all the authorities on Biblical exegesis; in the second place, the zoological relationships of the whale leave the interpretation unsatisfactory. But the very mention of fish seems to call up the improbable, and to give birth to the mythopoeic faculty in man. About a year ago the present writer sat in a tram travelling from a small fishing village to a large city in Ireland. A fisherman from one of the smacks in the harbour sat opposite. We were the only passengers. Presently two elderly Roman Catholic priests entered and sat beside the fisherman. The fisherman set the ball rolling by a garrulous account of recent catches and how the fish had left the vicinity since the war. Then he told the priests of the great peculiarity of the mackerel: "It's as sure as you're living, father, and as plain as a pike-staff, there's the mark of a man's finger and thumb in every mackerel you take out of the sea." I naturally picked up the man at this piece of natural history, though my eyes felt nominally following the pages of the little Shakespeare I was reading. "What those imprints are, they are the imprints of St. Peter's finger and thumb when he took the fish out of the water to extract the tribute money." Of course there were dozens of questions baring on the tip of my tongue—but I dare not spoil the story at that stage. What was the distribution of the mackerel? And was it found in the Sea of Galilee? Could not this story be used as an argument for the hereditary of acquired characteristics? Was it not much superior to the case of the midwife toad? Indeed, is it not really the hereditary of a mutilation—a tough mouthful even for the whole-hearted Mackerel?

Then, what would not the true Galtonian give for a genuine finger print of St. Peter? Might not Scotland yard prove conclusively that he did not belong to the Criminal classes and had never used the sword? And my thoughts went back again to Jonah and his great responsibility in history. There are other aspects, too, of these psychological problems. Why, for instance, should shoe-leather and atheism form, in fiction at all events, a sort of symbiotic association?—but I must desist.

AS YOU LIKE IT.

WEEK-END SHREDS AND PATCHES.

DEAD. Pedestrians and others passing ground this morning, were interested to see the dead body of one of those patient beasts of burden, the buffalo, lying against the rails. How it had got there and what was the cause of its demise are, so far, matters of conjecture. Probably the Legislative Council debate had something to do with it. We can only express our sympathy with the surviving relatives.

TOBACCO. The effects of alcohol and nicotine upon health have provided a debatable topic always. But here is a characterization of tobacco, from Froth, that seems good enough to win immortality. As follows:—Tobacco is a dirty weed; I like it.

It satisfies no normal need; I like it. It makes you thin, it makes you lean, It takes the hair right off your head, It's the worse darn stuff I've ever seen. I LIKE IT! Now who can argue with a man like that?

A story reaches us this TRUE, week concerning one of our knights of the pen who set out to report a meeting of the local Theosophical Society. His geography was at fault and he found himself one of a few attending another kind of meeting. Asked if he was a convert, he replied 'No, I'm a reporter.' That is a true story as is also the one of the scribe who attended one of General Booth's meetings in London and on being asked if he was saved, replied 'No, I'm a reporter.'

The London "Morning SOLOMON'S Post" waxes frivolous: JUDGMENT. "A little girl was being questioned this week on Solomon's judgment on the ownership of a child. 'Oh' she said, he ordered it to be cut into twins."

WOMAN'S WAY. When business falls more largely into the hands of women, there will have to be taken into consideration certain factors of failure or success which are now negligible. Take, for example, this story of guaranteed authenticity, though the incident did not happen in Hongkong. A lady entered a bank, and announced her intention of opening an account there. She explained that she had had an account for years at another bank close by, and the usual inquiries at this institution brought the reply: "Highly respectable lady. Good account. Has taken her account away because she did not like the face of one of our cashiers."

"Why does my panting heart so loudly beat? A SPRING Is it from love or some-SONG. thing I have at? Oh, can it be that Cupid has my number or is it maybe that last piece of cucumber? Ah, who can tell with feelings such as these, whether it be emotion or just cheese? How can I know if Love is this strange wizard, or if there's insurrection in my gizzard? Oh, gosh, but it is fierce to feel this way, not knowing if it's Love or if your hay ain't settin' right; oh, hully, hully gee, I sure would like to know what's biting me."

"Dear Trinity SECOND-HAND of fatheads who BOOKSTALLS, run the 'Shreds and Patches' column," writes a disgruntled reader, "will you not put in a plea for second-hand bookstalls? A second-hand bookstall, to a bookman is like a wine to a bibulous connoisseur. This old burg wants brightening up and this is one way of doing it. Always be a brightener. Now there are places where you can get second-hand books, but they are in furniture shops in Wellington Street, and in the questionable purloins of Lascar Row. The main commodity consists of Nesfield's grammar and erudite works on arithmetic, algebra, and school text books, galore, given up by school boys, who, having 'graduated' have sold the hated things and raised a few cents to carry them on life's long journey. What we want is a jolly second-hand book shop. A real second-hand book shop, right in the centre of the place, where a man can go and, Autolycus like, pick up some unconsidered trifle, and carry it away under his arm, content that he has found some wonderful thing, no matter how forlorn it may look. This is my own idea, sure, so don't wrap it up and present it as though you alone had thought of it. Always a brightener. Adopt it, Ascerberus, and you'll be bettermen. See you in the Snackeries on Saturday?" Yours,

BABBIT.

P. S. (What's this P.E.N. Club you're rambling about?) To all true lovers of ANTIQUTE, unconscious, par-donic human following advertisement clipped from an American paper: will appeal.

Please send me prepaid Dr. Frank Crane's Four-Minute Essays, 10 vols. leather binding. I will either return the books in 10 days or send you \$1 as first payment and \$2 a month for 7 months. If I retain the essays you are to send me 15 vols., of Shakespeare without additional charge. Name..... Address.....

She recently attended NAIVE, an affair of local importance. A new organ had been installed in the Parish Church, and a confirmation service held in conjunction with the ceremony. Giving her impressions, she told a story of a youthful applicant, for confirmation regarding whom a query arose as to his having been baptised. "But I must have been," he protested. "I've got the marks on my arm."

Friend Stevens tells us that an optimist is a man who lives with a pessimist. Good! We have just come across a man who hangs out in Queen's Road, surely the most interesting street in the Colony who deserves things. Walk along it in the Wanchai direction and on the left hand side of it you'll come across a little shop—such a little shop. The name over the doorway is 'The Everlasting Co.' And if that doesn't take the bun for sheer optimism we don't know what does. It is worthy of the order of the onion in the 3rd degree (unpicked). We intend broaching the matter at the next meeting of the Union Society.

How many of us, we wonder, have often made the welkin ring with our attempts at singing a rousing chorus from a University Song Book. We don't know if our local University students ever indulge in this excellent habit. They did years ago, and we remember "assisting" them on occasion, in some "go-getters" from the Scottish Students Song Book. There is not the slightest reason why our students should not make their own songs. "Let me make the University's songs," said a well-known man, "and I care not who makes the laws governing our Hostels." Down under, which is Australia, the students at the Sydney University, compose their own songs and publish them each year. Here is one effort which will appeal mostly to those who conduct and the many who read The Caduceus, that excellent magazine of the Medical Faculty. Hold your breath now:—

"Poor young Johnny Hunter soon will be a married man, We thought he would ne'er grow up (just like Peter Pan) We must tell his future wife just how to feed her man. Listen while we now unfold our plan.

Feed him on jam and parsnips, And if you find him awfully shy, Massage his liver with spicy egg flips, His deodenum just oiled with steak and kidney pie.

Though hearts he is always breaking— They're only dead ones, so don't you scold, They're like the legs that he's always handling. They're always dead, and pretty fairly old.

This is sung to the tune of "Look for the silver lining." Here is a sample of a drinking song which may help inspiration.

Dear little pub round the corner, Where so many studes have got stung! Where so much good money has been made look so funny By our dear old friend Mr. Bung.

Though we swear when the morning comes after, That—no, more to that pub we'll repair, The old Lalla stands still; we suppose it's e'er will— On that spot on the corner, it's just on the corner, The corner of Varsity-square.

It is very likely our students could improve on the above examples. As our favorite hymn has it, "There's nothing like a happy song to cheer the way."—CERBERUS.

The P. and O. s.s. "Delta" is sailing from here on June 27 and will take a number of troops home. Among them will be Capt R. B. Cartwright O.B.E. (R.A.P.C.) and Mrs. Cartwright from Shanghai. Lt. F. C. Agar M.C. (King's Regiment), C.O.M.S. E. Pottick (King's) and S-Sgt. C. H. Scouler, R.A.P.C.

Command Orders notify the following appointments.—Captain E. R. S. Dods, M.C., 24th Bombay Grenadiers (K.E.O.), on vacating the Adjutancy, to be Officiating Company Commander, vice Captain H. F. Bloxam, relieved; Captain R. M. Newton-King, 24th Bombay Grenadiers (K.E.O.), to be Officiating Adjutant, vice Captain E. R. S. Dods, M.C., relieved; Captain R. S. Hey, 24th Bombay Grenadiers (K.E.O.), to be Officiating Quartermaster, vice Captain R. M. Newton-King, relieved.

TURKS GO DRY.

PUTTING OFF THEIR NOSES TO SPITE THEIR FACES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 15.—The Governor, Adnan Bey, has notified the Allied High Commissioners that Turkish prohibition law will be enforced from tomorrow.

Special arrangements will be made for the Allied troops, also for foreigners until peace has been concluded.

The measure is regarded as a case of cutting off the nose to spite the face as it is obviously intended to annoy and injure native Christians, even at the cost of a considerable slice of revenue.

ISOLATED.

RUHR NOW FINALLY CUT OFF.

BERLIN, June 15.—French troops have occupied the railway stations from Dortmund to Krayssed, including the important junctions of Langendreer and Buchum.

This means that rail communication between the industrial and unoccupied territory is thereby cut off.

Dortmund and other centres are now completely isolated and none will be able to leave or enter without F.I.C.H. passes.

FRENCH BANK.

FORMER DIRECTOR'S EVIDENCE.

PARIS, June 15.—The prosecution in the Banque Industrielle case called Joseph Zucchi, who was director during 1918-20. He asserted that the transactions of the Banque always seemed to him perfectly correct.

TEN YEARS OLD.

INTERESTING HONGKONG BIRTHDAY.

It seems only the other day that there was opened to business a store which possessed one of the most artistic-looking fronts it has ever been our lot to see and an interior quite in keeping. In addition there was an air of quiet efficiency about the place which inspired confidence and when on top of all, the goods displayed and for sale to the discerning ones, were of the very best, it was felt that here was a venture which if it could not command success very well deserved it. We are amazed that this opening took place ten years ago and that the success so well deserved has been achieved and well-maintained. Ten years in the life of any organization is a considerable span and the least we can do is to congratulate Messrs. Mackintosh and Co., of whom we are writing, on their tenth birthday and to wish them a continuance of the prosperity they have enjoyed. Fitting celebration is to be made by our men's Wear Specialists of this anniversary, as our advertisement columns show, and we hope to be amongst the very many who dearly love a sale and who will attend in large numbers to offer them congratulations in a practical manner.

POLICE WORK.

The 'Cops at the Crossing' instituted 3,281 Traffic Regulations prosecutions and secured 3,151 convictions, securing \$11,745 in fines. That's the stuff to give 'em. 56 scales were found to be incorrect. Weighed in the balance and found wanting. 26,424 drivers and drivers received licences. Over three thousand rickshas were allowed to be used, in addition to over a thousand chairs. We have 313 motor cycle riders, including the fiend who goes round our favourite corner at 100 miles per hour. Our 'Uncle' is included in the 141 licences issued to Pawn-brokers. We have 291 sportsmen allowed to shoot and take game. There are 10,104 hawkers. Five dogs were destroyed at the request of owners. Not enough. Nothing is said about the owners of dogs. 670 revolvers, 301 Mauser pistols, and 35 Automatic pistols were seized and confiscated. We have not sufficient figures in stock to show how many rounds of ammunition were seized. Believe us, the number was 'prodigious'.

The conduct of the Police was good. Only five reports for being drunk. Well now, its a dry job being a policeman, and the weather is sometimes cruel.

The Seamen's Strike is scheduled under 'Special Events' which is rather good. Likewise the 'Sui An' piracy, which was something more than a special event. The other 'specials' include a par, on the 'Outbreak of violent crime', 'Closing of Guilds', 'Arms Smuggling', &c, &c. This report also goes in to our library—not under Fiction.

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG NOTES AND COMMENT.

PIECE GOODS QUIET.

Piece goods.—Very little business of note has been brought to book but prices remain firm.

Metals.—No activity has been noticed and quotations are receding.

Sundries.—There is not much to report in connection with sundries beyond moderate business in provisions, in which American makes claim priority.

Exports.—Considerable business has been done in ginger, most of the trade being with Europe and particularly, the London market. A good many small lots of cargo ginger in jars has been put through, the prices averaging round 20 shillings per case CIF London. Chinese dealers seem keen to offer ginger in casks but little response has been made, to the offers.

Nam Pak Hong.—It has been unofficially stated that the instructions from Canton rice merchants to Hongkong agents to stop shipments on account of dispute with the military, have been cancelled. The rumour is to the effect that an agreement has been reached whereby it will be possible for rice to be shipped as previously.

Flour quotations are dropping and the sugar market is dull.

JAVA SUGAR PRICES.

BOYCOTT CAUSES SERIOUS DROP.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, June 15.—It is reported that there has been a serious drop in Java sugar prices owing to the Chinese boycott against the Japanese.

The Japanese having bought heavily of the 1923 crop are now attempting to sell.

WOOL.

AUSTRALIAN DECISION.

SYDNEY, June 15.—A conference of Australian wool-selling brokers and wool-growers' representatives has decided, as last year, to spread the realisations over at least eight months, beginning here September 11.

It is estimated that the Australian offerings total 1,600,000 bales.—Reuter.

TOKYO ELECTRIC DEBENTURES.

London, June 14.—It is stated that preparations for the issue of £3,000,000 Electric Debentures are progressing satisfactorily. It is understood that the loan will bear six per cent. interest. The price will be ninety-two.

CANADIAN TARIFF.

Ottawa, June 14.—The Budget amendment, increasing British preference by allowing ten per cent discount on duty on directly shipped British goods, has been extended to apply to goods sent from England for Canadian Pacific ports and transhipped at Hongkong on a through Bill of lading.

BEHIND THE SCENES.

HONGKONG'S ANNUAL REPORTS.

SOME FURTHER COMMENTS.

A Chinese peculiarity is revealed in the paragraph devoted to Births. The Chinese are described as "careless in the matter of registering births, especially those of female children. It appears to be a Chinese custom not to register even the birth of a male child unless the child has survived for at least one month, while female children frequently are not registered at all." The custom in China of enrolling the child's name at the ancestral temple doubtless prevents the registration in this Colony of births as required by Ordinance. Registered midwives reported 5304 births during 1922. Deaths totalled 14,569 but the number is unreliable owing to faulty birth registration. 126 died from malaria, 829 from beri-beri. Plague accounted for 1,773 and small-pox 204.

Mr. Walter I. E. Mackenzie has quite an interesting yarn to spin concerning the work of the Veterinary Department. If there are any vegetarians in the place they should write in agony. Listen! 39,450 cattle, 16,362 sheep, and 224,149 swine were "done to death" at the Slaughter House and brought in a tremendous revenue. From a state of coma they have been translated to a state of Karma.

We are putting the Sanitary Department's report aside for future reading. The effort made to produce it and the interesting information it contains command our respect.

STREET CHASE.

CIVILIAN CATCHES THIEF.

MAGISTRATE'S PRAISES.

Mr. L. L. Lopes, a Portuguese broker, was highly commended by the Police Magistrate, Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning who instructed Sub-Inspector Grant to bring Mr. Lopes' action to the notice of the C. S. P. so that he could be suitably thanked.

Mr. Lopes was in Queen's Road near the Central Market yesterday about noon when he saw a small servant-girl crying "thief" and pointing to a Chinese who was running away. Mr. Lopes at once gave chase and after some time caught the thief inside the market. Six months' hard labour was the sentence meted out to the thief this morning at the Police Court when Mr. Lindsell made the remarks mentioned above.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory by the local American Consulate General at 10 a.m. to-day. Typhoon in, about deg. Long. E. 16 deg. Lat. N. recurring north 135 eastward.

In rough weather the motor-ship "Wah Kiu" of 800 tons (Captain Lane) went ashore at the entrance to Su Nam Chau Channel on Thursday night. The ship was on a voyage from Hongkong to Kowloon with the usual complement of Chinese passengers, when the rudder gave way.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE GOVERNMENT'S NEW SCHEME.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir,—The Government's new scheme is all right as far as it goes, but leaves out the "small man." I should like to have the option of being granted a piece of land on which to build a house for my own use. As I am not a "capitalist," am I entitled to any consideration? And if so, could that extraordinary condition be waived that I can sell when the value of the land is doubled; also that I must put my money in to another plot of land? What happens when the land does not double itself in value, as is likely when we get back to normalcy? It seems to me the simpler way would be for the Government to sell its land at its own valuation and stipulate that in the event of a sale in fact every sale, it is to come in on a fifty-fifty basis. If you are going to interfere in the economic conditions that H.E. the Governor is so fond of talking about, it had better be on the sound lines I have indicated. This will save much time and the necessity of putting so many Ordinances and amending Ordinances on our already heavily taxed statute book.

Yours, etc.,
Brown Sugar.

SLEEPING IN THE STREETS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir,—The Government is naturally concerned that a false impression should not go home regarding those who choose to sleep in the streets during the hot weather. It does not seem to be much concerned that there are quite a few who do sleep in the streets, summer and winter, no matter what the state of the weather may be. They do this, not because they like it, but because they have no alternative. You, on several occasions, have pointed out the dire need there is for some public shelter for these outcasts of Hongkong—the flosam and jeteam of this place, who serve us as coolies and are fulfilling some useful service. A Rowton Home has been suggested. Please force the suggestion home, Mr. Editor, and bring it to the eye of some wealthy Chinese who could scarcely do better than endow such a place as I have named. It would be a lasting monument to his name and confer a boon upon a section of the community no-one, so far, seems to care a jot about.

Yours, etc.,
FEATHER BED.
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HONGKONG COMMITTEE'S QUANDARY.

An announcement has been made in the vernacular papers giving notice that the door-to-door campaign by a committee in connection with the Tung Wah Hospital, to raise funds for relief work in areas devastated by war in Kwangtung, will be stopped temporarily. The reason for this decision is that although funds have been generously subscribed, the relief committee is meeting with great difficulty in shipping rice and other necessities to the district. Some days ago, \$5,000 was expended to purchase about 600 bags of rice which, were shipped to Shui Hing on the West River. Here the need of the population was most pressing and several members of the committee took great pains to ensure the rice being distributed to the poor.

A China Mail reporter was told unofficially by a member of the canvassing committee that as soon as the distributors left, bands of so-called soldiers commandeered the rice at the point of the bayonet, claiming that as they "the defenders of the Republic" had no rice, the civil population was not going to get any.

Consequently the committee is in a quandary as to what is to be done with the funds still in hand. Attempts to give free rice would prove abortive as there would be no guarantee that the help went to deserving parties. If provisions and stores fell into the hands of the military the best intentions would only result in evil, as the supplies would be used to prolong the struggle.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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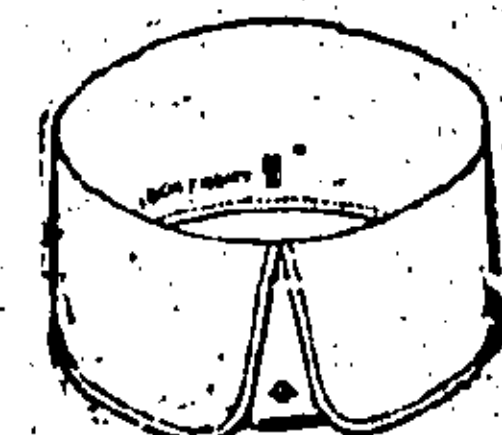
A Comissao Directora pede a comparecencia dos Srs. socios e suas familias e os demais membros da Comunidade Portuguesa a uma reuniao que se efectuará no Club Lusitano na proxima segunda feira, 18 do corrente, as 17.30 horas. O assunto a tratar relaciona-se com a educacao dos nossos filhos, futuros cidadãos a quem cabera a gloriosa tarefa de manter e bom nome portugues no Oriente, e visto o ninho desmentido-patriotismo dos portugueses de Hongkong, a Direcção espera que ninguém deixará de comparecer.

F. P. de VASCONCELLOS SOARES, Secretario.
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"KASHMIR"	6,841	22nd Aug.	MARSHALLS, LONDON & Antwerp.
"SICILIA"	6,813	24th Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"MACEDONIA"	10,512	7th Sept.	MARSHALLS, LONDON & Antwerp.
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The master of the Java-China-Japan Line a.s. "Tjilebach," which arrived in port from Balikpapan this morning, reported a case of typhoid fever on board.

Four lots of Crown land at Ma Tau Chung—102,660; 38,350; 174,050; and 92,925 sq. ft., respectively—are shortly being offered for sale at a total upset price of \$81,597.

Two cases of plague and one each of small-pox and enteric are reported in the returns of notifiable diseases during 24 hours ending yesterday. In each case the patient is a Chinese.

The debris on the railway track near Shatin was cleared away yesterday and the usual service resumed. As there is no wrecking gear, it will be some time before the engine and coach, which went over the embankment, will be removed.

Farmar Ali, a watchman of Moon Street, has reported that while in the street at 8.30 this morning he was accosted by six or seven men, three of whom threw him to the ground while the others abstracted \$5 from his shirt pocket. The robbers escaped.

Forthcoming Crown land sales include the following:—15,130 sq. ft. at Hang Hau for an upset price of \$303; 1,665 sq. ft. at Tsun Wan for \$17; and 2,440 sq. ft. at Homuntin for \$1,220. Five lots near Tsun Wan, 78,750, 87,500, 157,500, and 175,000 sq. ft., respectively, will be sold for an upset price of \$4,875.84.

A terrific storm swept over Penang on the night of June 7, and did considerable damage, trees being uprooted, some of which fell across the road, blocking all traffic. Telephone wires also suffered through falling trees, and a coolie shed was blown down. It had no inmates. Incoming ships reported a heavy gale blowing and heavy seas running. Two water spouts were seen at the northern entrance to Penang harbour.

On the Murray Barra Parade Ground last evening, officers of the King's, defeated officers from H.M.S. "Tamar" 5 goals to nil at soccer. The set in no way can be taken as a criterion, as the naval men had just much of the game as their opponents. Had not Hongkong's crack centre forward (Lionel Jones) been playing for the regiment the naval team might easily have won with any sort of luck. Lionel Jones scored four of the five goals.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before Commander C. Beckwith R.N., the masters of several fishing boats were charged with unlawfully anchoring their fishing boats in Causeway Bay Harbour without the permission of the Harbour Master. Defendants acknowledged the offence, which they said had been committed in ignorance as they were strangers to the port. Fines of one dollar each were imposed, and defendants were warned to ascertain the regulations before coming here again.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lieut.-Colonel F. Eaves, D.S.O., has been made a Justice of the Peace.

H.R.H. the Duchess D'Aosta is a passenger on the s.s. "Malwa" for Shanghai.

Mr. Julius Ring's name has been added to the Colony's list of authorised architects.

The P. & O. "Malwa" brought out a number of naval reliefs for Hongkong and Shanghai.

A Reuter cable from London today states that Mr. T. Harbome, former Postmaster of the British Post Office, Shanghai, has been appointed Postmaster at Weymouth.

Passengers for Hongkong by the P. O. s.s. "Malwa" included Lieut. H. E. Adams, Mr. A. C. Bluck, Mr. J. M. Dalgarno, Mr. A. R. Johnston, Mr. V. B. Stone, Lieut. J. B. Tarrant, and Mr. Turgoose.

The death took place at her residence, 72, Cairne Road, on Thursday night of Mrs. Adelaide Maria Baptista, one of the oldest residents in Hongkong. The deceased, who was the relict of Mr. Luiz Joa Baptista, was 90 years old. She is survived by numerous relatives, running into the fifth generation.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The E. F. s.s. "Monitor" arrived at London on June 15.
The E. L. s.s. "Tanda" left Singapore for this port on June 11 at 4 p.m. and is here tomorrow at about daylight.
The E. F. s.s. "Dania" for Boston and New York left Shanghai on June 15 for this port and due here on June 18. The vessel will be despatched at 4 p.m. the same day.

LITERARY LOBBY.

JOTTINGS FOR BOOKY FOLK.

H. G. Wells has been arrested. Charged with using an excessive number of dots with felonious intent. . . . and with using an outline in a work of art. . . . styled *The Outline of History*. . . . Prosecution described him as "a peril to phonetics and dominions." . . . The world must be made safe for the Domino Presidents of the future. . . . The title of his last book is not *My Life Days*. . . . A friend wants *The Stage Cat*. . . . The stories we quoted tickled him. . . . *The Golden Bough* is a great book. . . . We told you so the other evening. . . . A reader wants to complete his set. . . . Any offering? . . . *The Club which never meets* is to limit its membership, to eighty. . . . Quite a number of 'the old gang' have already joined up. . . . *Hongkong Book Club* of course. . . . Never heard of it? . . . Well you know now, or now you know. . . . A book we sent to one of our reviewers has made him ill. . . . It nearly won a \$500 prize. . . . At any rate it was in the running. . . . He lost no time in reading it. . . . Look steadily and a joke will appear. . . . We know a man who spends \$75 a month on books. . . . He's not married. . . . Some strange book is happening. . . . Upton Sinclair's *They Call Me Carpenter*. . . . No, not a Carpenter. . . . Pausanias' *Life of Christ*. . . . A good one of course. . . . Another joke. . . . It's the cool weather. . . . Rain! . . . Reminds us of Somerset Maugham's *Rain*. . . . In *The Trembling of a Leaf*. . . . Great yarn. . . . So are all the others. . . . *The Doves Nest and Other Stories* by (the late) Katherine Mansfield intrigues us. . . . We have ordered it. . . . Stella Benson is a member of the Book Club. . . . Her *Poor Man* contains some Far Eastern stuff. . . . Hongkong figures in it too. . . . Stella is well thought of and figures high on the lists of those who appraise our women writers. . . . There is a rumour of another literary magazine for Hongkong. . . . Look Out. . . . *Vision* from Sydney is worth having if only for its line drawings. . . . A new quarterly. . . . We think a lot of Sydney. . . . It has the Lindsey, a Repertory Society which does Galsworthy, Massfield, Barrie, Shaw, Ibsen, Euripides, &c. . . . Also a Shakespeare Society. . . . And *The Triad*, an independent. . . . Doesn't accept theatre or concert tickets. . . . Wants a free conscience to criticise as it thinks. . . . Conrad is in America. . . . They all go there. . . . Except Shaw. . . . Conrad has no "best book." . . . He says it all depends. . . . A young man of the press reported that Conrad's best book was *It All Depends*. . . . Bet he got the sack. . . . Will someone buy us Galsworthy's Manston edition of his works? . . . Only £25. . . . Hugh Walpole is an authority on Sir Walter Scott. . . . Has most of his letters. . . . We read *Quentin Durward* the other day. . . . Its great to get back to the old stuff. . . . No dots. . . . No psycho-analysis. . . . A plain straight-forward yarn. . . . They tell us Cabell's *Jargon* is fine reading. . . . Banned by the Comstocks in U.S.A. . . . That's why we bought it. . . . Honest. . . . That's us all over Charlie. . . . Our landlady's favourite book is the

dictionary. . . . Says its full of short stories. . . . Who are our best short story writers? . . . Here is our Apple-of-Discord. . . . France; Guy de Maupassant; America; O. Henry; England (undecided) . . . Melbourne's a funny place. . . . Banned Boccaccio's *Decamerone*. . . . A Customs man did the deed. . . . Now he wishes he were dead. . . . They found the edition had been bowdlerised and its best parts taken out. . . . A vile deed. . . . Chesterton is turning himself into a weekly. . . . *GKC's Weekly*. . . . We don't like the title. . . . Too much like John O'London's and *Cassells*. . . . Gossip. . . . Keeps you from getting at books. . . . Well here's the end of the Lobby. . . . See you again next week? . . . Perhaps. . . . S'long.

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June 16.—Star Theatre; "God's Country and the Woman."

June 16.—Grand Theatre, Harold Lloyd in "Grandma's Boy."

June 17.—Coronet Theatre; Mary Pickford in "The Love Light."

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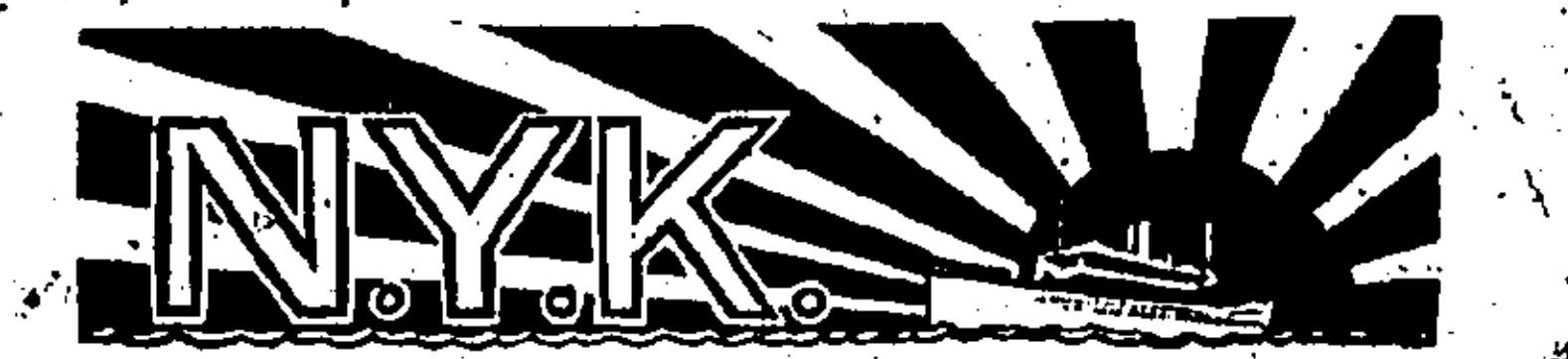
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Tientsin	CHONGSHING	Tues. 19th June	Noon
NEWCHANG via SWATOW	HOOSHONG	Tues. 19th June	Noon
Bangkok via SWATOW	HOOSHONG	Tues. 19th June	Noon
STRAITS and CALCUTTA	LUISANG	Wed. 20th June	3 p.m.
FRANCIS via SWATOW	YUSANG	Fri. 22nd June	Noon
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	MINGANG	Fri. 22nd June	Noon
MANILA	LOONGANG	Fri. 22nd June	Noon
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	YAT-HING	Sat. 23rd June	10 a.m.
Kobe via MOI	YUSANG	Sat. 23rd June	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	YUSANG	Sat. 23rd June	Noon
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TANDA MARU Wednesday, 27th June.
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ANNUAL MEETING HELD.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided last evening at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Limited.

In the course of his speech the Chairman drew attention to the scanty use made of the club-room and recommended it being closed. The membership is now 252, and the Chairman called for more members. With larger funds at its disposal, the Association could do more good, said the speaker. After touching upon the scarcity of garages, Mr. Bernard continued:

Many of the good roads, improved surfaces and safe corners are largely due to our constant agitation and it may be opportune here to express our appreciation of the generous and ready manner in which the Government and the Police Department have always endeavoured to meet the desires and suggestions put before them.

My predecessor referred to the bad condition of the road between Un Long and Sheungshui, and I am glad to say extensive repairs have been carried out since that time, which have added greatly to the comfort of the motorist. The gate post in the road at the crossing near Sheungshui, which has been a source of annoyance and even danger for a long time, has recently been removed. But it has not been possible yet to persuade the Government to widen the narrow bridges. I hope it will not be long before something is done.

The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., do all they can for the convenience of people wishing to transfer cars across the harbour. The proposition is not a paying one, and we must be thankful for the facilities available.

Since July 1st, 1922 the number of cars in use has increased by 244, and there are now 800 registered. During the course of the year, Mr. Lamont gave a very interesting series of lectures, which were fairly well attended and very much appreciated. It is hoped to arrange for further similar lectures.

CONTROL OF TRAFFIC.

Our energetic Captain Superintendent of Police has been working hard to establish efficient control of traffic. He is faced with great difficulties, in instilling into the mind of the Chinese and Indian constables a correct appreciation of their duties. Perhaps he will pardon me if I suggest he is asking too much of them. With the traffic as it is today it would seem sufficient in most cases if the men on duty confined their attention to merely stopping cars when necessary, as their signals now are frequently confusing. A driver does not need to be waved on, he will naturally carry on until signalled to do otherwise.

The junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road is a difficult corner. Here it would seem desirable to have an illuminated sign, high up, which could be seen over the tram cars. I have experienced several unpleasant situations at this spot through the constable being obscured from view. Occasionally chauffeurs may be seen to ignore the police signal, and when that occurs, the signal is not infrequently changed to accommodate them. Prompt obedience to signals is a primary requirement in traffic control, and this should be impressed upon drivers. Unless, however, the signals are simplified, it would be difficult to take action, as they are very easily misunderstood.

I am glad to say that the driving of cars in this Colony is of a fairly good standard; owners should insist upon their chauffeurs always observing the usual courtesies of the road, otherwise accidents are liable to occur.

Your Committee have ordered a new and attractive badge from England, based upon the R.A.C. Badge, with a special centre embodying the letters "H.K.A.A.", designed by Mr. H. W. Bird.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I wish to refer to the excellent work done by our Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Hodgson. He has taken the keenest interest in all matters per-

THE HON. MR. A. O. LANG.

APPOINTED UNOFFICIAL
MEMBER.

At the last meeting of the Legislative Council, Mr. A. O. Lang was sworn a member of the Council taking the place of Mr. E. V. D. Parr, who has left the Colony. Mr. Lang has had previous experience of Legislative Council work which will stand him in good stead. Added to this is his extensive knowledge of conditions in the Colony. We hesitate to enumerate the numerous activities of the Hon. Mr. Lang in case we should leave some of them unrecorded. He is Managing Partner of that old-established House of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co. and also Partner in Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co. He holds Directorships in many of the important limited companies in the Colony. His work for the Chamber of Commerce, the St. Andrew's Society, the Volunteers, &c. is also well known.

CORONET THEATRE.

MARY PICKFORD'S NEW
PICTURE.

The Coronet is showing a big picture, commencing to-morrow. It is "The Love Light," a United Artists production which takes two hours to screen, and in which the favourite of favourites, Mary Pickford, appears in an entirely new role. It may be mentioned that the idea for this story was obtained by Mary whilst on her honeymoon with her husband Douglas Fairbanks, in Italy. "The Love Light" is an emotional drama, but Miss Pickford, not only for her own artistic advancement but also for the advancement of the whole motion picture industry, has decided to get away from the conventional hackneyed stories and attempt present life as it really is. It is a tale of Italy and in order to get the proper effect and atmosphere, Miss Pickford not only secured a number of players from Italian theatres, but also insisted that the Italian language be spoken throughout. Although a drama, "The Love Light" contains a number of excellent comedy situations.

"SMILIN' THROUGH."

STAR THEATRE'S BIG
PICTURE.

By special request, "Smilin' Through" is again being screened in the Colony. Norma Talmadge has wide scope for displaying her emotional talent and lovable character in this exquisite film and she makes good use of her opportunities in a dual role. "Smilin' Through" is a screen version of a famous American stage play, a drama in which love, tragedy and romance are intermingled. "Smilin' Through" commences to-morrow at the Star, Kowloon.

taining to motoring, and has done everything possible to advance the interests of motorists. I wish to offer him our sincere thanks for the able way he has looked after our interests during the past year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
Mr. Bernard was re-elected President for the ensuing year and Mr. H. W. Bird Vice-President.

In proposing Mr. P. M. Hodgson as Honorary Treasurer for the ensuing year, the President said:—Mr. Hodgson informs me that, while he is willing to continue in the capacity of Hon. Secretary, he is unable to act as Treasurer in addition. The work encroaches too much upon his time. Messrs. Linstead and Davis are willing to undertake to work of Treasurers for a nominal fee. As regards the Hon. Secretary, your Committee feel that we could not have a better man than Mr. Hodgson, and I am entirely in agreement with them. It gives me very great pleasure, therefore, to propose that he be again appointed.

Mr. Hodgson was duly elected, and Messrs. Linstead & Davis were appointed Treasurers. The following Committee were elected for the ensuing year:—Messrs. E. G. Bannerman, C. D. Lambert, D. J. Lewis, C. P. Marcel, C. A. Peel, A. B. Raworth, W. E. Roberts, E. M. Seigh, J. A. Wilson, Robert Yip.

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LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL ANNUAL MEETING.

NEWSPAPERS DONATE CUPS.

The tenth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Football Association was held last evening at the R. G. A. Recreation Room, Victoria Barracks. Mr. R. J. Wilton presided and was supported by Mr. F. T. James (Hon. Sec.) and Mr. G. T. May. There was a representative attendance of members of the affiliated clubs.

In proposing the adoption of the Financial statement for last year, the Chairman mentioned that the Interport Account showed a balance of \$923.69. It was considered advisable to keep a separate account in view of the fact that the Association might possibly receive an invitation to send a team to Shanghai during next season and sum could be devoted towards the expenses. The Association Account revealed a balance of \$353.10, which, he thought, was very satisfactory. Last year, said Mr. Wilton, they had a very successful season in the League and the Shield, and the Interport match was also a great success. With regard to grounds, Mr. Wilton said the Hongkong Government would be obliged to provide more playing pitches. Football was becoming increasingly popular, not only among Europeans, but among the Chinese. The Interport gave the game a great fillip, and he thought the Secretary should write to the Government asking them to allow more grounds for next year. "I do not know whether they can do it, but still if you do not ask you never get anything," Mr. Wilton added.

OFFER OF CUPS.

The President mentioned that last year the Shield competition was run by the Association. Previously it had been organised by the Hongkong Football Club. It was a competition that should be run by the Association. Mr. Wilton mentioned that last year there were no runners-up cup for the Junior Shield and he himself had offered to give one. The China Mail had written to the Hon. Secretary offering to give a runners-up cup for the First Division of the League. Sometime afterwards, the South China Morning Post had offered a runners-up cup for the Second Division. The Hongkong Telegraph had also offered a cup, but the question arose as to what competition they should devote it. Personally, he thought it should be offered for competition among the school teams of the Colony.

Mr. May mentioned that three cups were already in existence for the schools.

The Chairman asked whether any members had any suggestion. B.S.M. Williams suggested that the cup should be offered for international matches.

The Chairman thought the suggestion a good one. The Chinese and Portuguese could also be included, he said. Mr. May suggested that the present Second Division might be split up into two. He pointed out that at present there were two types of team in the Division. Services and civilians, and in nearly every case the Services were far too strong for the civilians. He thought they might be separated. Both suggestions appeared popular, but the matter was finally held over till the first meeting in the new club year. Meanwhile the three cups will be accepted. The Chairman then proposed the adoption of the report and ac-

counts. The motion was seconded and carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was proceeded with.

Mr. Wilton was elected President for the coming season. Thanking the members, Mr. Wilton remarked that he was shortly to proceed Home. When he arrived he would let people in England know that in Hongkong they were all doing their best to carry on the traditions of the game.

Messrs. E. Cock and G. May were elected Vice-Presidents. Lieutenant-Commander Larkham and Messrs. MacTavish and Smith were elected as Council.

Mr. F. T. James was re-elected Hon. Treasurer and Secretary.

When it came to the election of a Referees' Board a member pointed out that this was not the Association's job at all. It was according to the rules, the duty of the Council to elect a Board.

This was found to be correct, and in spite of the fact that the Association has been appointing the Referees' Board for some seasons past it was decided to keep to the letter of the rules. Before the meeting concluded, the Chairman, on behalf of the Association, congratulated the South China team on their victories in the Olympiad at Osaka. In connection with the much talked of visit of the South China Team to Australia, their representative informed the meeting that the Australian visit had not been officially fixed up by his Club as yet. It was simply an arrangement between Mr. Millard and some of the players in Shanghai, but Mr. Millard would be down in Hongkong in a day or two, and if anything was decided by the Club officially they would let the Association know.

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THE FILMS

PROGRAMME FEATURES.

TO-NIGHT.

Coronet.—The Turning Point.
World.—
5.15 p.m. "The Pilgrim."
9.15 p.m. "The Untamed."
Star, Kowloon.—God's Country
and the Woman, and
Plumduff's Restaurant.
Grand, Wanchai.—Grandma's
Boy.

VERY LONG PLAYS UNPOPULAR.

NEW STARS FROM STAGE.

There are signs that the very long film play, designed to fill practically a whole programme, is falling from popularity. Some recent failures of elaborate productions of the "super" type have taught a bitter lesson to exhibitors.

To "fill the bill" of a local cinema theatre with a single play is to kill the chief value of the screen as a popular entertainment. For the bulk of the cinema patrons are those who "drop in" at any time. There are few stories so full of incident that all that is worth telling cannot be told in an hour.

One of the exceptions is "Dr. Mabius," which stands prominently among the releases. It is exceedingly long—a two-part production. But it contains nothing superfluous. It is many detective stories in one. There is a new and separate thrill every quarter of an hour.

Mr. Russell Thorndike is the latest "legitimate" actor to cross from the footlights to the film. Judged by his vivid impersonations of Eugene Aram and Scrooge, he promises to be even more successful as a screen star than as a theatrical star. This is a reversion of the usual.

MISS FAY COMPTON.

Most of those famous in the "legitimate" turn to cinema acting only as a side line. They rely upon their ready-made fame to carry them through. But now and then some of them realise their obligations to the public.

A case in point is that of Miss Fay Compton. When she first appeared as a film actress her playing was weak, undefined. She realised this herself. She set to work to improve herself, with all the humility of a novice. And now she stands in the first rank of cinema actresses on sheer ability, not on name, as those who have seen her in "This Freedom" will agree.

Henri Bataille's play "The Scandal," which had only a moderate success when produced by Miss Sybil Thorndike at the New Theatre some months ago, has been adapted for the screen by Granger's. The scenes have been photographed in the most beautiful parts of Southern France, including Nice and Grasse. Arrangements have been made by Hepworth's to film Helen Mother's well-known novel "Comin' Thro' the Rye." In order to provide "local colour" for the pictures a field of rye has been sown in the neighbourhood of the Hepworth studios at Walton-on-Thames.

MARY PICKFORD BUILDS A CITY.

A city that rises on a roof. This may sound preposterous, but it is a condition that is rapidly becoming a fact at the Pickford-Fairbanks studio where Mary Pickford has begun work on her forthcoming new photoplay. Of all the unique sets ever built in Hollywood, none, it is said, has ever equalled the quaint old Spanish city now growing out of the roof of the Pickford stage. The roof is 50 ft. high, and for the sake of the film represents the summit of a hill in an old Spanish city. Surmounting the hill are a church, several dwellings, and a number of trees. A burro path leads from the ground to the roof of the stage, and during the taking of the scenes much of the action will show not only the miles, but many people on the trail and on the roof. Intervening, the buildings which constitute a replica of one of the streets of the Spanish city, rise between the camera and the top of the stage, thus completing the illusion of the distant hill. In one section of the town being erected on the ground will be a stream of water, running beneath picturesque bridges, and on which will float small water craft. The story, as yet unnamed, deals with Spain during the Empire period—from about 1900 to 1920.

ROBIN HOOD.

A KINEMATOGRAPHICAL TRIUMPH.

The kinematograph film of Douglas Fairbanks in "Robin Hood," which has been shown in Kobe is a piece of work which has attracted a great deal of attention and is generally reckoned the finest production that has ever been achieved on the screen. When this is said, it has to be remembered in just what kinema work consists. The kinematograph cannot be literature. It can be art only to the extent that photography can be art. As a didactic instrument, it can be useful and interesting, whether in slowing down a rapid motion in order to show us how a horse runs, or in speeding up a slow process so as to show us how a flower grows. But didactically it soon becomes a bore. Its chief use is that of entertaining people's idle hours, when they do not have to work and do not yet want to sleep, with some picturesque story. It has been noticed that many a good novel looks perilously like nonsense when put on the screen. An ordinary drama may be dressed up, but is not half so good in pictures as in the theatre. It is difficult, perhaps impossible, to depict the gradual unfolding of human character. Even pauses which have great dramatic effect on the stage are intolerable on the screen. But, owing to the ability of the actors to enact their story whenever and wherever it suits them, they can obtain effects which are impossible on the stage, and which are interesting or beautiful to see, but would be wearisome in the inadequacy of verbal description.

In "Robin Hood" we see the special possibilities of the kinema developed to a high pitch of perfection. As Robin Hood is at best a semi-mythical character, there is no fault to find with the story being treated freely. It is made a good coherent, dashing tale, whenever every action has its significance, and something is happening all the time. In scenic effects we see magnificences far beyond any possibility of theatrical stagecraft. Old English castles have the impressive vastness of great cathedrals. From battlements high in the air we look down on men dwarfed to the smallest dimensions below. Crusaders' tents become pavilions such as Solomon never dreamed of, and armies may be seen deploying over the plain into enormous distances. The lighting effects are more interesting and wonderful than any that can be achieved on a stage. The change of scene and continuity of action are also beyond the possibilities of stagecraft, and there is a lavishness in the "Robin Hood" production which again may not be art, but which impresses the spectator in the same manner as the vastness and the magnificence of the architectural illusions. Scenes which it must have taken weeks to prepare, and infinite trouble to rehearse, pass in a few seconds. A great sweep of arch is constructed in order that a crowd may pour through it for a moment. A castellated background and a splendid array of horse and foot are created for a casual arrival. Of course, it also runs into enormous expense of production, and must be undertaken as a commercial enterprise, like a "white city" or other great splurge. But there is ample scope for an artist who deals in grand effects. As for the acting, it is excellent in the kinema style. The heroine is as beautiful as could be wished for, and there is no need to say that Douglas Fairbanks is dashing as the hero. He does some "stunts" that are thrilling beyond all possibilities of "fake," and situations are created where the audience sympathises with Mr. Boffin in his anxiety to read the next chapter of the "Decline and Fall" in order to discover whether the Emperor Commodus escaped from the Pretorian Guards. There is a welcome decline in the "close-up" abomination, and the single one that occurs in the action—that of a woman's grimaces under torture—might well be left out. As to how many million dollars the thing cost to produce, or how many millions profit it has made by being shown how many times to how many people in how many towns and for how long at a time—all these things have a purely commercial interest. The film itself seems to represent a culmination in this sort of development of the kinema play. There is elimination to be noted as well as achievement—an appreciation of the possibilities of the medium in which the work is done, as well as of its inadequacies and impossibilities. To use the journalist's stand-by—It marks an epoch in kinematography.

PULLING PICTURES TO PIECES.

LONDON: "A L'AMERICAINE."

Ridiculous incidents in current film-releases are given below:—
In *Pilgrims of the Night*, "Lord Ellingham" (Lewis Stone) lives at No. 11, Cavendish Square, London. When we see him on his front doorstep preparing to enter his car, "Big Ben" and the Houses of Parliament are in a prominent position on the other side of the road. No need to say this is an American film!

GENEROUS!

The attorney in *The Great Moment* hands "Nadine" his fountain-pen, with which she signs a paper annulling her marriage with "Delaval." "Nadine" then hands the paper to the attorney, who looks it over, and walks out of the room, leaving his pen on the table.

THE ELUSIVE LETTER.

When Mary Glynn gives a letter to the butler in *Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush*, he turns to put it in the letter-rack, but lets it fall to the ground. When he is asked for it later, he picks it up from behind the table. How did it get there?

When the reporter in *The Mystery of the Yellow Room*, climbs a ladder to spy through the window, the last but one rung is missing. On his descent, the rung is there; but when, after a time, he again climbs the ladder, the rung is missing once more. How do you account for this?

THE HANDCUFF TRICK.

In *Isabel*, featuring Jane Novak, the handcuffs are placed on the villain's wrists. He glares at them and, at the hero, and walks towards the waiting sledge. On his way he stops and picks up his hat, and it is noticed that his hands are then unfettered. What happened to the handcuffs?

WHOSE STICKFAST?

In the Tom Mix picture, *Cupid's Round Up*, the heroine's two portmanteaus are placed in the open back of a four-wheeled trap, while the heroine sits in front. The horses then bolt, and after the trap has been several times almost capsize, it is stopped in the nick of time by Mix. When once more at a standstill, the portmanteaus are still in the centre of the back portion. Were they glued on?

ELEPHANT CHASES ACTORS.

MADDENED BEAST INJURES TRAINER AND ATTACKS BYSTANDERS.

A maddened elephant seriously injured his trainer and sent three hundred motion picture extras flying at top speed in all directions, during the filming of a circus parade scene for Maurice Tourneur's "The Brass Bottle." The scene was to be one of the most spectacular of the new production. "Charlie," the elephant, preceded by his trainer, "Curly Joe" Stecker, was heading the movie circus parade down the long "set" while men and women cheered him from either side. The gaudy procession was suddenly halted when the elephant charged and charged. Stecker, in his efforts to quiet the animal, was seized and lifted high in the air. So tightly was he held in the elephant's trunk that two ribs were fractured.

The climax came when the screaming beast drew Stecker's head in its mouth. Carl Stecker, a brother of the trainer, probably saved his life by remaining on the scene and beating the animal with a stick.

TO THE RESCUE.

The heroine, wide-eyed, was fleeing, a revolver tightly gripped in her little fist; the villain pursued; here, all unconscious of the sad turn of affairs, was sleeping on the mossy bank of a stream, gentle breezes flicking his curly locks.

It was a gripping moment in the feature photoplay being shown at Spooner's Theatre, and the audience was pale and breathless.

The heroine turned despairingly and pointed her revolver at the villain.

At the psychological moment "Bang!" went a toy pistol in the pocket of Joseph Cohen, 15 years old, a spectator. The audience rose as one man, the spell of the picture still on them, and there was something like hysteria.

A cop took little Joseph away. He said it was accidental.

WRITING UP FILMS.

LORD RIDDELL'S VIEWS.

Those in the British picture-making industry are only concerned in methods of lag-press publicity on broad lines of the prestige of the kinema, and the way in which an occasional comment on British achievement affects them; but as it is obvious that the public are bound to rely to some degree upon newspapers for information respecting current films, British artists and their fellow-workers are entitled to fair treatment from this direction.

Some of the points of an address delivered at the Stoll Picture Theatre Club, recently, by Lord Riddell, the well-known newspaper magnate, are worthy of special note. Lord Riddell considered that films were surrounded by an injudicious air of unreality and false splendour, which was even reflected in the magnificence of cinema buildings. He pleaded for more regard for the psychology of reality. British effort and genius had evolved the motion picture and as usual, in the full development and exploitation of it, this country had been left behind. Even Nature herself, through the screen's influence, was getting Americanised. He was more immediately concerned, however, with what newspaper film columns considered suitable matter, and he had come to the conclusion that much of it that now existed was extremely dull. He read several extracts to prove his case, and gave it as his opinion that it was due to the catalogue-like influence of Trade matter instead of news interest. Too much reliance was also placed on inane trivialities about obscure personalities.

Kathleen Mason, during the open discussion which followed, declared that the admitted shortcomings of film columns were due to the newspaper editor's refusal to allot adequate space.

Hugh Croise, in a vigorous speech, complained that the ordinary Press neither understood the difficulties of home production nor endeavoured to assist it in any way.

A. Tilley asserted that the blame lay not on the film critics at all, who were able and anxious to write on film topics with a proper sense of news and interest value. As a rule, the critic who attempted to do so was pulled up by his chief and ordered to write "dope" which, it was wrongly assumed, was what the public wanted.

Lord Riddell, in reply, denied that "newspapers existed to help producers or the trade, or indeed for any other purpose but to provide readable information. He felt that more attractive matter would always be acceptable, both by the public and the normally intelligent editor. Representation by the screen was a real and vital thing, and the public should be led to feel this.

The Chairman, Monsignor Provost Brown, congratulating the speakers, indicated instances where newspapers had regularly and systematically exceeded the mere function of news-giving laid down by Lord Riddell.

KINEMA IN SIAM.

SCENES IN TEAK FORESTS.

The Chiangmai correspondent of the *Siam Observer* writes to that paper:

Mr. McRae and many Siamese actors and three actresses arrived here on the 18th inst., in connection with certain film work. Many pictures of places of interest were taken and many scenes in their drama were "shot." The dresses etc., of the actors and actresses have aroused much curiosity among the population. The scenes taken for the drama included a scene in jail and another of the execution field. Real jailers, policemen and executioners took part in the act and the play was so realistic that many onlookers believed that an actual execution was to take place. It was only when the heroine arrived that these people began to understand that it was merely a kinema play. The execution sword, however, was not drawn without some real bloodshed, for I heard that accidentally the heroine received a cut on her hand while attempting to rescue the hero! This occurrence nearly spoiled the play.

REAL CHIVALRY.

At a place "somewhere east of Suez" an intoxicated gentleman, after being ejected from a moving picture theatre, was "discovered" seated on the doorstep of the back entrance, with a large bouquet in his arms. A policeman arrested him.

"Did he give any reason for his extraordinary behaviour?" asked the magistrate.
"His speech was a bit indistinct, your Honour," answered the policeman, "but from what I could gather he was waiting to see Mary Pickford home."

CLOSE UPS.

Director—Where is Miss Nuffy? This part calls for the star.
Cameraman—She sent word she'd be too busy to come to-day. She's going to write testimonials for shampoos and lip-sticks.

IN PRAISE OF PRISCILLA.
This dainty maid, too seldom seen in Hongkong on the movie screen, is proud, vivacious, winsome, keen. The Universal claims her Queen Of artists, and in every scene she justifies that claim. I ween, Helen of Troy's a plain! "Hag-been" compared with sweet Priscilla Dean.

The title-role in *Ben-Hur* is still unfilled. Is it possible that they are waiting until Jackie Coogan is tall enough?

Mary Pickford has offered a cash prize for a title for her next picture, an Edward Knoblock story.

\$25,000 has been pledged to launch a plan with the object of establishing pictures as a fine art. The Kinema Foundation is the title chosen.

Will Hays and several producers have given Dr. Charles Judd, of the Chicago University, \$5,000 for experimental uses connected with educational films for public school children.

Outside a cinema in King's Road, Chelsea, a poster describes the title of a film then showing: "Scrambled Wives." Bad eggs, we presume.

Ho—Yes, I once thought of going into the movies, but friends dissuaded me.

She—Friends of the movies, I presume.

A movie ad runs: "Jackie Coogan in Trouble." We'll warrant it isn't financial trouble.

The official report of the Naval Board discloses the fact that it has decided to discontinue its scheme for the supply of films to ships. No reason is stated, though it is obvious that it cannot be because of unpopularity.

A husband in the balcony of a cinema in Pittsburgh shot and severely wounded his wife and her male escort who were seated in the stalls. In all seven shots were fired, though, owing to the man's expert marksmanship, no one else was hurt. And then people say that film drama is exaggerated!

D. W. Griffith is negotiating for a film studio site in Torquay as his producing base when making his forthcoming films. His plan for production are well on the way towards completion. The story will probably be of a religious nature and titled "The Brotherhood of Man."

A suggestion has been put forward advocating the reissue of the film "The Battle of the Somme," all the proceeds to be devoted to the alleviation of distress amongst ex-servicemen.

Having, apparently, exhausted the subject of "Wives" in filmland, Louis Gasnier is turning his attention to *Mothers-in-Law*. That's the title of his new picture, anyway.

Sir Alfred Pickford, a leader of Boy Scouts, like most notables, has his daily bunch of letters from hero worshippers. One youngster, trusted that "little sister Mary was well and happy with Doug."

Volney Moreno plays Rodolph Valentino's scheduled rôle of "The Spanish Cavalier" in *Don Cesar de Bazan*, which stars Pola Negri.

That Chaplin can be serious when he chooses, was of *The Kid* showed us clearly. In his first ten-reel production, *Public Opinion*, Charlie makes his bow as author-director of a new type of problem drama. Speaking of this venture, Chaplin says, "I believe *Public Opinion* will be the most important work of my career. I am trying to portray an intelligent and sincere story, and there will be originality in both treatment and acting." Originality is Chaplin's middle name, anyway. The film stars Edna Purviance, and many of its scenes are laid in France. Adolphe Menjou and Malvina (late Malvina) Polo, head a strong supporting cast.

There is an epidemic of pen-chewing in Chicago. Douglas Fairbanks has promised to give his bow and arrows (used in *Robin Hood*) to the writer of the best essay on Archery. Doug is keenly interested in the Boy Scout movement, and since he became an archer himself has strongly advocated this ancient sport from a health point of view for everybody. The bow, will need a well-developed youth to draw it, is a well-while trophy, though, and every Fairbanks fan in the city is entering for the contest.



MARY PICKFORD in "The Love Light."

MARY'S NEXT.

WONDERFUL STORY COMING HERE.

Frances Marion's original story, "The Love Light," in which Mary Pickford will be seen at the Coronet Theatre on Sunday, is not only a unique departure in the line of story for the "World's Sweetheart," but a gripping drama of unusual interest. Briefly the story is as follows:

Angela Carloti presides over the house of her two orphaned brothers, Antonio and Mario, in a little fishing village bordering on the Mediterranean in Northern Italy. Antonio and Mario spend their days fishing off the lighthouse, Angela caring for the little stone house, the barnyards and gardens. They are all young, and boy-like, the brothers slip as much of the work as possible upon the apparently tireless shoulders of Angela. They have only to remark that a certain job is too hard for any woman and Angela flies at it and labours along while they recline in the shade, audibly marveling at her strength and cleverness.

Angela is being courted by Giovanni Novella who is held in contempt by the fisher folk because instead of handling the nets and row boats, he raises flowers for the per-

fume market of Genoa. In time Antonio joins the army of his country and a little later Mario also enlists. Giovanni is still at home and Angela voices her contempt at his apparent lack of patriotism; this decides for Giovanni that he should go, and he returns blinded. During his absence Angela cares for his garden and also takes the light-house keeper's place. One day Angela comes upon the unconscious form of a sailor, a big handsome foreigner, who claims to have deserted his ship. Angela falls in love with him and they are married. A little later she hears of the death of her two brothers. How the stranger proves to be an enemy of Angela's country, and how Angela sacrifices everything in order to protect not only her neighbours but her enemies, is presented in a series of startling and gripping situations which naturally must be seen to be appreciated.

Miss Pickford has surrounded herself with a splendid cast, the majority of the principal players having been selected by Miss Pickford and Miss Marion, her director, while in Europe, where many of the properties were also secured.

The production is lavish in its settings and the wonderful photography is credited to Charles Rosier who has photographed most of Miss Pickford's recent pictures. Stephen Gooson, noted art director, is responsible for the reproduction of the Italian village and beautiful interiors.

WORDLESS PICTURE.

FILM WITHOUT TITLES.

In a few weeks' time (writes a London correspondent) we are to see the first English "wordless" film, made by Henry Edwards for the firm of Hepworth. From beginning to end the story is told entirely in pictures. There are no letters shown on the screen, extracts from diaries, not even a name written over a shop to help identification. America, which has lately cent us one or two films without titles, has never been as drastic as this. "I do not suggest," Mr. Hepworth says, "that titles are doomed, or that this film is to prove the beginning of a series. But it is by no means a mere curiosity. I have always held that the ideal picture will be titleless—some day. At present we must be content with titles in nine pictures out of ten to dispose of necessary but uninteresting material. This film is an objection to the possibility of the future, showing how smoothly and dramatically the action of the right kind of story can run when there is nothing in the nature of verbal interruption. The plot is developed with perfect clarity; the illusion is never broken."

Soon the public will be given the chance to form its own opinions on the wordless film, and in meantime there is an interesting little picture from the same studios which takes one on a circular tour of London, beginning, early in the day, on an omnibus in Piccadilly and ending outside the Houses of Parliament somewhere about midnight.

A NOVEL FILM RACE.

That ingenious purveyor and producer of film comedies, Al Christie, who has made fun out of almost every human sport, emotion, and characteristic, has succeeded in discovering an entirely new sort of film race. In short, it is a race between two flat-bottomed river steamers, chauffered by rival niggers who are making a desperate effort to win a "yellow-gal" bride. The race was run on the Sacramento River, and the film "Roll Along" has already become known in America as "the black-faced comedy," because the whole of the artists, including the stars, Jimmy Adams and Babe London, appear as niggers.

DOUG AH FONG BANKS.

HONGKONG'S MOVIE COLONY.

"A movie colony is to be founded in Hongkong, where Chinese picture plays written by native writers will be screened." Soon, says the *Sydney Sun*, we will be crowding to see the Chinese Doug Ah Fong Banks in his celebrated dare-devil picture, "Oh Chi!"

Scene 1.—A cabbage garden in Canton. Doug Ah Fong Banks watering cabbages. Enter Water Board mandarin, arrests Ah Doug for wasting water. Ah Doug turns three Chinese somersaults and tips mandarin into the liquid manure.

Title.—"Whaffor?"
Scene 2.—Mary Ah Pick, the Chinese flapper from the bright lights of the Canton Broadway, is seen converting the Chinese gardeners to the worship of Confucius. Close up of Mary Ah Pick's famous smile.

Scene 3.—Brutal Englishman captures Mary Ah Pick and is carrying her off in his limousine to family prayers, when Doug Ah Fong leaps through the car window snatches Mary up and hurls the now useless motor car down a precipice. Brutal Englishman still pursues her.

Scene 3.—Interior of Chinese ice-cream parlour. Mary Ah Pick tapping the cash register. Enter Brutal Englishman, now a sundae dope-fiend. Sees Mary Ah Pick and embraces her. Enter Doug Ah Fong, snatches up cash register and forces it down the mouth of the brutal English ice-cream fiend, leaps with Mary Ah Pick in his arms through the plate glass window, and conceals Mary Ah Pick in one of the Chinese coolie's vegetable baskets while he hides himself in the other. Coolies trots off.

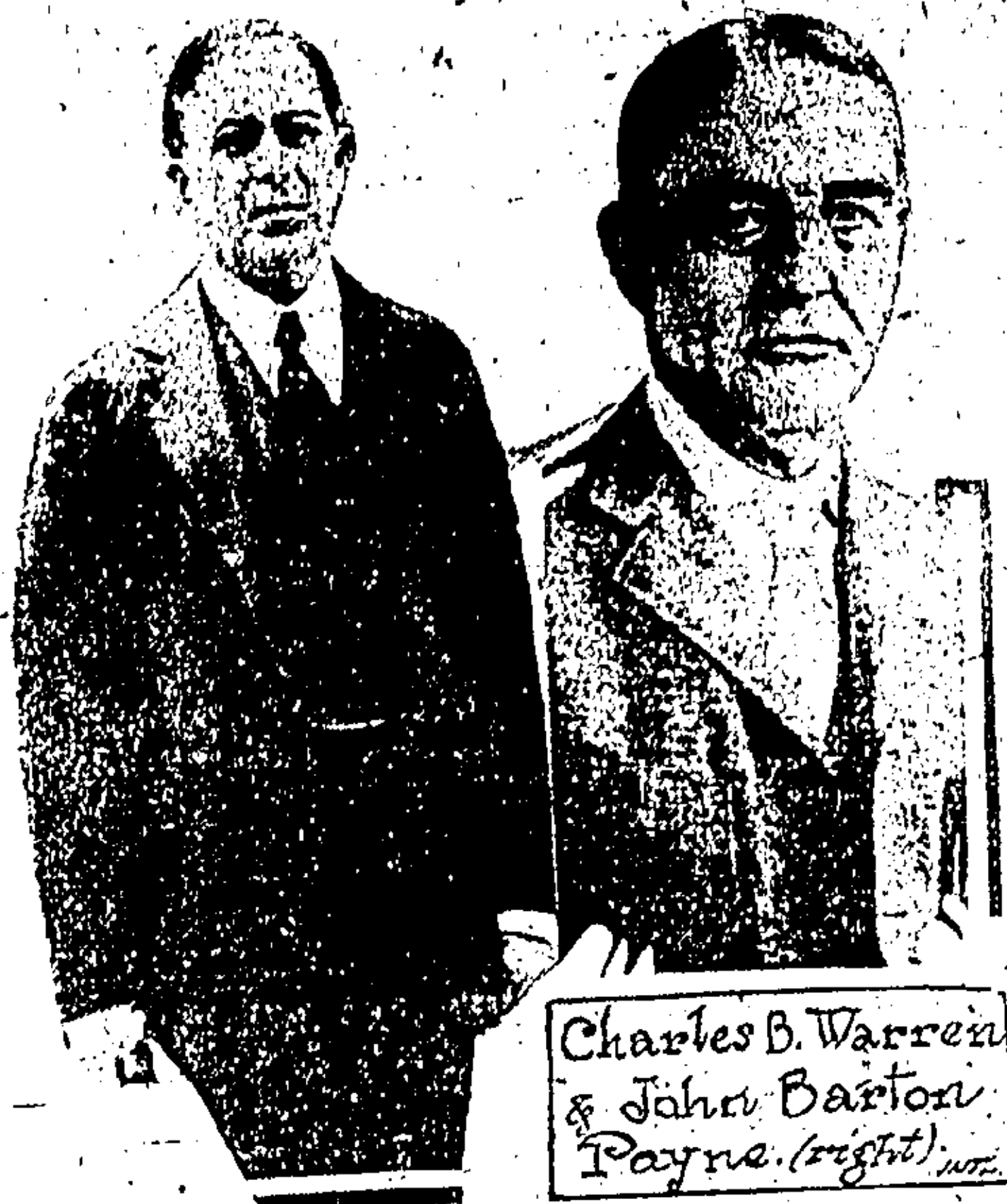
Title.—"Welly heavy cabbage!"
Scene 4.—Title.—"Back on all the same old fam."

Chinese gardener tips out Doug and Mary. Close-up of gardener. Close up of Doug Ah Fong Banks and Mary Ah Pick embracing among the cabbages.

Title.—"Have got end of welly topside day!"

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Charles B. Warren & John Barton Payne. (right).

America's Secretary of State Hughes, has named the men on the Mission to Mexico to negotiate for recognition by America of the Obregon regime in the southern Republic. John Barton Payne, former Secretary of the Interior and Charles B. Warren, former Ambassador to Japan, are two of the members.



Dr. Montessori.

Dr. Montessori, inventor of the well-known Montessori system for teaching children, has reached London for a four months' inspection of British educational centres.



Adolph Kircken.

Adolph Kircken, beat 20,000 other children in a recent rapid addition contest. He accurately completed twelve problems in addition, each of five numbers, in two minutes. He took just ten seconds for each problem.



Edward P. Egan.

Edward P. Egan, a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, won the British amateur heavyweight championship recently by defeating F. J. Hulks in three rounds. Egan trained in Dublin as sparring partner to Mike McTigue, light heavyweight champion, before the latter defeated Battling Siki on St. Patrick's Day.



Sergeant Claude Foster & Miss Frances Buhl.

While First Sergeant Claude Foster is on trial for his life for the killing of Private Martin Miller, of his own company, his fiancée, Miss Frances Buhl, is constantly at his side to cheer him up. Foster and other eye witnesses declare he shot Miller in self-defence.



Jim Larkin.

"Big Jim" Larkin, Irish labour leader and radical, who was recently pardoned from the Sing Prison by Governor Smith, after being convicted of criminal anarchy, has been surrendered to the Department of Immigration, Ellis Island, for deportation as an undesirable alien.



Col. W. B. Greeley.

Colonel W. B. Greeley is shown in his office, writing a message with the pen President Roosevelt used when he signed the law creating the United States Forestry Service.



Harry J. Scott and Dr. E. H. Luther.

Dr. E. H. Luther is shown here administering an injection of insulin, an amazing serum cure for diabetes. This baffling disease has at last been conquered by a Canadian surgeon, after many years of research work.



Clarence De Mar.

Clarence De Mar, won the annual Patriots' Marathon Race, run through the streets of Boston. De Mar won the classic for the second consecutive time and for his third time. He was a victor in 2:23:45 3-5.



Charlie Paddock.

Charlie Paddock, world's champion sprinter, off to the University of Paris games.



David L. Podel.

David L. Podel, has earned the title of "Champion Trust Buster." He has charge of the prosecution of violators of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law. His most recent victory was the conviction of the members of the Sanitary Pottery Association. He also convicted the Tile Trust and the Terra Cotta Trust.



Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady & Francis P. Garvin.

A fierce legal battle, between brothers and sisters, is being waged in the courts for the management of the \$87,000,000 estate of the late Anthony N. Brady, traction and power magnate. On one hand are Nicholas F. and James Cox Brady, sons of Mr. Brady and executors and trustees of the estate. Standing with them are Mrs. Genevieve G. Brady, wife of Nicholas F. Brady; her sister, Mrs. James C. Farrell, and their niece, Miss Marcia Ann Gavit, of Santa Barbara, California. Opposed to them are other two sisters—Mrs. Francis P. Garvin, wife of the former Custodian of Alien Property, and Mrs. Carl Tucker. To complicate matters, Mr. Garvin's sister is Mrs. Genevieve G. Brady who has repeatedly urged her brother to drop the suit to oust her husband and his brother, Garvin acting for his wife, alleges the Bradys have not been justified in their handling of the immense estate.

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PLEASURE CRUISES.

LOCAL SHIPPING MAN'S
VIEWS.

WHY FORMER TRIPS FAILED.

"There are several valid reasons why Sunday steamer trips round the island could never become a live proposition," said Mr. J. Arnold, Secretary of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company Ltd., when seen by a China Mail representative this morning. "In 1906, this company gave the scheme a trial. On the first trip the vessel left on the Sunday afternoon, the fare being \$2.00. We carried 20 foreign passengers, most of whom soon became seasick. The following Sunday, only three foreigners booked passages, so we returned the money and cancelled the sailing. One cannot rely on patronage from the Chinese as they seldom travel except on business.

The reporter enquired whether any other local shipping companies had made attempts to popularize such Sunday afternoon trips. "Yes," replied Mr. Arnold, "a Chinese company, running vessels up the West River, organized a pleasure cruise to Gin Drinkers' Bay and other popular picnic resorts at a dollar a head, but after one or two trips the scheme had to be abandoned as it did not pay." Asked why public support was not forthcoming, Mr. Arnold pointed out that a cruise round the island in a small river-boat, drawing only about nine feet and carrying no cargo is no pleasure in rough weather as the vessel is tossed about like a cork if there is anything like a sea running outside.

NAVIGATION NOT EASY.

Mr. Arnold continued: It must be remembered that our vessels come under the Piracy Prevention Ordinance and the searching of passengers would neither contribute to their enjoyment nor would the extra work be welcomed by the Police. Trips round the island would also entail a special pilot being carried as the navigation is very tricky.

Some years ago it was suggested by the management of the Hongkong Hotel that this company should run a Sunday steamer to Repulse Bay, returning at night. The navigation there and back presents no difficulties, but there is no safe anchorage and steamers have to lie ¼ mile off the shore, necessitating the use of boats for the transport of passengers, so we turned the offer down.

In pre-war days our company used to run cheap Sunday cruises to Macao and back. In those days we hired regimental bands to play during the trip. We are still running a steamer to Macao and back on Sundays. In pre-war days, it must be remembered, Repulse Bay Hotel was not in existence, nor was the motor-road to Fanling, round the new territory a fait accompli.

To make a four to five hour trip round the island cover expenses, we should need at least 300 passengers. As matters stand now, no officer or seaman is keen on a job on our Macao boat on a Sunday. They are hard at work during the week and naturally are anxious to have Sunday to themselves. If we organized round the island trips on Sundays, we should be inviting protests from the Seamen's Union and the China Coast Officers' Guild. Again, passengers would probably expect the price for liquid refreshments to be on a similar scale to that charged on the Canton and Macao steamers, the liquor for which is "ex-bond."

The Government could hardly be expected to sanction liquor on round the island boats being exempted from duty. "In the final analysis, the civilian population of Hongkong is too small to support Sunday cruises on the lines suggested in the China Mail in Thursday's issue," concluded Mr. Arnold.

TRAM CAR SCUFFLE.

BAD MANNERS ON BOTH SIDES.

The case in which A. R. Remedios, the Portuguese who was summoned by a Chinese for alleged assault on a tram going from Causeway Bay to Shaukiwan on June 6, came up for hearing again before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning.

Sub-Inspector Richard Lanigan informed His Worship that the soldier mentioned in the evidence as having seen the episode, was not to be found.

His Worship remarked that it was obvious there had been a quarrel between complainant and defendant and that there was nobody on the car who saw this quarrel except the soldier. He was of the opinion that the quarrel arose from a dispute as to the occupation of the front seat on the top of the tram. His Worship also said that there were bad manners on both sides and neither of the parties had behaved themselves. He ordered the summons to be dismissed.

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MACDONALD

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TO-MORROW

THE LOVE
LIGHT

MARY
PICKFORD

THE STAR

TO-NIGHT

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